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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Defying The UN

ISRAEL'S persistent refusal to evacuate captured Egyptian territory is causing increasing anxiety among many delegations attending the present session of the United Nations. Among the Western powers the chief concern is the resumption of Middle East oil supplies via the pipelines and the reopening of the Suez Canal. Both arteries may be denied the West until Israel fulfils Egypt's demands for a complete evacuation of the Gaza and Akaba Gulf strips and the remaining portions of the Sinai desert still occupied.

Among Middle East nations, particularly those outside the Egypt-Saudi-Syria-Yemen bloc, there is a fear that present tension may deteriorate with Cairo's growing impatience over Israel's refusal to comply with United Nations resolutions. Among many uncommitted nations there is alarm over the fact that the United Nations appears to be powerless to enforce its rulings and that its prestige is suffering in consequence.

OTHER nations notably France and Holland are concerned with the way in which the United Nations is dealing with the problem of Middle East security. The feeling appears to be growing that Israel has been given insufficient guarantees to safeguard its borders against renewed attacks by Arab irregulars. The presence of the United Nations Emergency Force along the Sinai-Israeli border may help to mitigate the danger to some extent but Mr David Ben-Gurion sees the need for further assurances.

It needs to be understood in the United Nations that these assurances must be given. Egypt is slow to take the initiative in this respect and a pious declaration from Cairo that "it has no aggressive aims on Israel" should it be offered as a sop to Israeli fears—hardly provides the tangible guarantees that are needed. The United Nations' insistence on compliance with its resolutions first have met with negative responses and it is clear that a new approach is needed.

Mr Hammarskjöld has proved peculiarly inelastic in his negotiations with Israel. To ignore the events leading up to the Israeli invasion of Egypt or to draw any wrong conclusion that it had as its object purely territorial aggrandisement is to miss the whole point of the recent action in the Middle East. Essentially this demonstrated British, French and Israeli dissatisfaction with the tepid and dilatory attitude of the United Nations. It would be wrong to believe now that Britain's concern over blocked pipelines and a "billabong" canal suggests that its confidence in the UN has been restored.

It is a pity that domestic interests must distract the British Government from taking a more positive attitude over a Middle East settlement. But surely Israel's adamant refusal to relinquish its last hold on Egyptian territory suggests that if the dispute is to be settled quickly a more realistic assessment of the situation, taking into consideration not Israel's demands but its frequently expressed fears, is required.

WHAT would be useful would be discussions between Israel, Egypt and Mr Hammarskjöld. Some formal guarantee from Egypt and the United Nations must be given if Israel is to complete its withdrawal. Some less partisan stand by the UN is necessary. It is illogical to regard only Egypt as the aggrieved party. It takes two to make a quarrel and at present one party is being almost entirely ignored.

300 EGYPTIAN OFFICERS BEING COURT-MARTIALLED FOR COWARDICE

From KEITH MORPETH

Beirut, Feb. 6. Scores of Egyptian officers are being court-martialled for cowardice during the Israeli drive into Gaza last October.

Details of the desertion of 300 Egyptian officers in the face of the advancing Israelis are only just becoming known in Beirut and other Middle Eastern capitals.

A number of senior officers and at least one area commander are among the 300. This eyewitness account of what happened was given me by a reliable diplomatic source.

The Egyptians knew Col Bob Bayard, chairman of the United Nations Mixed Armistice Commission, was in radio contact with three American destroyers lying offshore waiting to take off

the United Nations men. Shortly after four bombs had dropped on Gaza groups of Egyptian officers started turning up at the Armistice Commission headquarters. First they came in twos and threes, then in dozens, then in droves.

What followed was the most humiliating and degrading spectacle imaginable. Many officers went down on their knees. Some were

praying. Some had tears streaming down their faces. Quite a few were clutching bundles of notes which they offered to anyone who could get them aboard the American ships.

Col Bayard told the officers it was impossible for him to accept responsibility for them, but said he would do his best to negotiate a local ceasefire, which he subsequently did.

The whole incident was the subject of a highly secret report from United Nations men on the spot to the New York headquarters.

Some of the accused officers have been charged with allowing vital documents to fall into Israeli hands.

These included a complete index of every Palestinian Arab recruited into the Fedayeen murder gangs.

These incidents have led to a feeling of revulsion against the Egyptians amongst thousands of Palestinian Arab refugees in the Gaza area.

Even if the Israelis pull back now it seems Gaza will no longer provide the Fedayeen with a training and recruiting ground, or an effective Egyptian base. — London Express Service.

Afro-Asian Split Over Algeria

NEW AND Milder Resolution

United Nations, Feb. 6.

Eight countries of the Asian-African group have decided to prepare a new resolution on the Algerian question for presentation to the General Assembly's Political Committee, an informed source said today.

The eight countries had refused to sign the resolution supported by 19 other Asian and African countries calling for the recognition of Algeria's right of self-determination and negotiations between France and the Algerian population.

It was understood that their resolution would be very moderately phrased and would be something between the first Asian-African resolution and the procedural resolution being prepared by several Latin American countries.

Although details of the eight-power resolution have not been revealed, the informed source said it would be closer to the Latin-American draft than to the first Asian-African resolution.

The source said the eight-power draft resolution would recall the principles contained in the United Nations charter

preamble concerning the rights of man and would merely express the hope that France would find a liberal solution to the Algerian problem.

The new resolution would not mention any right of the Algerian people to self-determination or include requests to France to open negotiations in Algeria with the help of the United Nations, as did the first Asian-African resolution, the sources said.

The eight nations were given as: India, Laos, Cambodia, the Philippines, Japan, Thailand, Ethiopia and Liberia. — France-Press.

Blunt Reply To Israel

United Nations, Feb. 6.

The Secretary General, Mr Dag Hammarskjöld, asked Israel today to declare whether it is going to withdraw all forces from the Gaza strip and allow United Nations forces to patrol the armistice line.

Until these answers come from Israel, Mr Hammarskjöld said, Israel's statement of conditions for its complete withdrawal from Egypt will receive no further consideration.

A spokesman for Mr Hammarskjöld said that this statement developed before the Secretary General saw the Israeli Ambassador, Mr Abba Eliahu, this evening. A full statement on Mr Hammarskjöld's position was issued "on the basis of earlier talks" and in an obvious reply to the Israeli press statement earlier today declaring its position. — United Press.

Cugat Sued

Los Angeles, Feb. 6.

Singer Carmen Castillo filed suit for \$20,000 back alimony yesterday against band leader "Cugat," 58, in Superior Court.

Miss Castillo, 51, was the band leader's first wife. She divorced him in 1946 and received a settlement of a percentage of his income for a minimum of \$250 a week.

Cugat, through attorney Leo Altshuler, admitted that he owed Miss Castillo \$12,000.

The former Mrs Cugat also attached the band leader's \$175,000 Brentwood home, pending action on the suit. The residence is occupied by Cugat and his 25-year-old wife, Abbe Lane. — United Press.

Shipyard Scheme

Birkenhead, Feb. 6.

A £17,000,000 sterling plan to modernise the shipyards of Cammell Laird and Company, here, was announced tonight. The programme, one of the largest to be announced in Britain for many years, is expected to provide facilities for building some of the world's biggest oil tankers. — China Mail Special.

Excommunicated

Vatican City, Feb. 6.

The Roman Catholic Church today excommunicated Hungary's "Red priest," Richard Horvath, who was considered that country's chief religious collaborator with the Communist government. — United Press.

US OPPOSED TO INTERFERENCE

United Nations, Feb. 6.

The United States is opposed to the Afro-Asian resolution tabled before the Political Committee of the General Assembly, Mr Henry Cabot Lodge, the American delegate, said at the resumed debate on Algeria this afternoon.

He added that the US Government was also opposed to United Nations interference in the internal affairs of member countries.

Mr Lodge said the French plan for a ceasefire, elections, and negotiations constituted progress towards a settlement of the Algerian situation.

SPAIN'S CONCERN

Speaking before Mr Lodge, the Spanish delegate, Jose Felix De Lequerica, recalled Spain's role in Algerian history, and added that Spain remained concerned over the fate of Algeria. He said Algeria was a Mediterranean problem, a problem of Southern Europe to which France should find a solution.

He quoted from speeches made by the Spanish chief of state, Francisco Franco, stating that it was necessary to find a "new conception" and to settle "the colonial problem within the framework of the Soviet threat."

French delegate, Jacques Soustelle, then took the floor to reply to the delegate of Syria, who had earlier spoken criticising France. Soustelle said he regretted the Syrian delegate's impudently uttered statements which on several occasions had overstepped the generally accepted limits of international courtesy.

Soustelle then recalled the history of Algeria, and of the successive waves of invaders who had occupied North Africa through the centuries.

ANSWERED NEED

Soustelle said that in the 18th century, North Africa was a centre of brigandage and piracy, and when in 1830, France decided to destroy slavery and piracy on the African coasts, and reestablish freedom of navigation in the Mediterranean, it was only answering a universal need.

A: That time, he said, anarchy reigned in Algeria and its population was suffering from endemic diseases. He said

France's installation in Algeria, conforming to the international law at that time, raised no objections on the part of any other powers.

He stressed that Algerian Moslems were now French citizens under the French constitution. He said that pay for the same kind of work was the same for French and Moslems alike, and all Algerians benefited from the same social security legislation as the French.

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IRC ACCUSED

Vienna, Feb. 6.

The International Red Cross was accused by Radio Budapest today of pursuing anti-Communist and anti-Soviet propaganda in Hungary.

The radio asserted that labels on tinned food distributed in Budapest by the Red Cross carried the slogan "Kill the Russians" in the English, French and German languages.

The radio also alleged that writing under the wrapping of Swiss chocolate bars called for the support of the counter-revolution and for a fight against the Russians. — Reuters.

HK-TYPE OF TAX FOR SARAWAK?

Singapore, Feb. 7.

Imposition of a personal income tax, "somewhat on the Hongkong pattern," is one of the chief recommendations made by Professor T. H. Silcock in a fiscal survey report of Sarawak.

Professor Silcock, of the University of Malaya, undertook the survey at the invitation of the Sarawak government.

Professor Silcock said further educational development is essential for Sarawak's economic progress.

He said the proportion of national income taken in taxation is too low. — Reuters.

7-Point Singapore Talks Agenda

London, Feb. 6.

The Colonial Secretary, Mr Alan Lennox-Boyd, today announced an agreed agenda for Singapore self-government conference.

The following is the agenda: 1. To take note of the items in the constitutional proposals by the United Kingdom government as set out in Appendix 8 of Command Paper 9777, which have already been agreed to in principle.

2. Internal security.

3. External relations and external defence.

4. Designation of Her Majesty's representative in Singapore.

5. Date of coming into force of new constitution.

6. Position of civilian employees in the armed forces.

7. Any other business. — United Press.

POLICE AMONG SUSPECTS

Nicosia, Feb. 6.

One police inspector, one sergeant and six constables were reported to be among a number of wanted men rounded up in Cyprus in the past four days, it was learned tonight.

Earlier in the day Special Branch police announced the capture of two men for whom they had long been searching—Evangelos Evangelakis and Andreas Charas. — United Press.

No Withdrawal

Washington, Feb. 6.

State Department officials said today the United States was contemplating no withdrawal from either Okinawa or the Bonin Islands in the foreseeable future. — Reuters.

BERLIN FOR BONN (As West German Capital) IS AGREED UPON

Bonn, Feb. 6.

The West German Bundestag (Lower House) today adopted a resolution declaring Berlin, in the centre of Communist East Germany, to be the German capital.

Only four members voted in opposition.

The Bundestag also adopted two other resolutions—the first calling for an immediate start with the planning and construction of a parliament building for the West German Parliament in West Berlin.

The second recommended that the government should carry out the planning necessary to enable ministries and other federal offices to be moved to Berlin as quickly as possible, and to designate Berlin as the headquarters of any new federal bodies.

The Bundestag was debating a motion by the Social Democrats, the Free Democrats and the refugee bloc—all in opposition—asking the West German government to make it possible for the transfer of federal ministries to West Berlin.

"It's Impossible"

Dr Gerhard Schroeder, the Minister of the Interior, opening the debate said that this was impossible, and that the government would be impaired if it or senior ministries were moved there.

West Berlin, cut off from the rest of West Germany, is dependent on East Germany for road, rail and air communications.

But Dr Gerhard Buerling, a member of the government Christian Democrat Party said the fact that the Russians had permitted the establishment of the Communist East German government in East Berlin was justification enough for West Germany to transfer at least some government ministries to West Berlin.

Must Take Risk

It was true that some risk for safe passage to and from Berlin was involved in transferring government authorities to West Berlin. "But which policy," does operate without risk?"

Herr Willi Brandt, a Social Democrat, said he and others who had submitted the motion did "not intend to touch the special position of the allies in Berlin." (The city is still formally under four-power occupation.)

But, first of all, what was really meant by the "four-power status" of Berlin, a term which everyone interpreted differently, should be clarified.

He said arguments that Berlin was "not safe enough" were not valid. "We trust the guarantees given for Berlin by our Western allies and we can sleep as soundly in Berlin as for instance, in Hamburg or Munich. — Reuters.

SPEIDEL GETS THE JOB

Paris, Feb. 6.

Appointment of German General Hans Speidel as Commander of NATO Land Forces, Central Europe, was officially announced here today.

An announcement from Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers in Europe said General Speidel, 59, would take up his post "on or about April 1."

French government circles tonight welcomed General Speidel's appointment and regarded it as a further step in Franco-German reconciliation following three-quarters of a century of wars and friction.

However, a Gaullist senator and a left-wing deputy have announced that they will ask in parliament about the conditions in which the government agreed to General Speidel's appointment. — Reuters.

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Hanging Bill Passed

London, Feb. 6.

A government bill to keep the death penalty for certain types of murder was passed in the House of Commons tonight.

A Labour opposition motion to reject the bill was defeated by 217 votes to 131—a government majority of 86.

The bill, passed without further vote, now goes to the House of Lords for approval before becoming law.

The effect of the bill is to restrict the death penalty in Britain to murder which clearly threatens law and order. The death penalty will be kept for five types of murder: 1. Murder committed in the course of theft. 2. In resisting, avoiding or escaping from arrest. 3. Murder of policemen or prison officers. 4. Murders by shooting or causing explosion. 5. Those who kill a second time.

PROTECTION

Mr R. A. Butler, the Home Secretary, had earlier said capital punishment would only be retained where it was considered essential as a deterrent against lawlessness, which struck at the basis of society, and where it appeared to be uniquely effective as a deterrent.

It gave protection which society owed to those who, on behalf of the community, dealt with reckless and dangerous criminals—prison officers and the police.

Sir Lionel Hoare, a former Conservative Attorney-General, said he supported the government but thought it was "wrong and indefensible" in not making a police officer hang.

One Labour spokesman, Mr Anthony Greenwood, criticising the bill, said if a man stabbed a fireman he would escape hanging. If he stabbed a policeman he would not.

The government was making an use of the law," he declared. — Reuters.

Freighter Sinks

Houston, Texas, Feb. 6.

A 10,000-ton freighter being loaded with scrap iron for Japan sprang a leak and sank at a dock in the Houston ship channel today. — United Press.

Actress's Death Believed Suicide

New York, Feb. 6.

A slim, blonde Australian actress and dancer died, apparently a suicide, today in her luxurious East Side apartment, police reported. Doreen Woodbury, 30, died in the arms of an actress friend, who had rushed to her apartment at 3 a.m. after a disturbing telephone conversation.

Two small bottles, one empty and one containing pills, were found on a coffee table in the apartment. Police said a note asked that the actress' belongings be sent to her mother, Mr Olive Janet of

Chester Hill, New South Wales.

The ash blonde performer had had small roles in several motion pictures and for a time had been the leading dancer on the Jimmy Durante television show. She came to the United States about six years ago, Columbia Pictures said, and to New York, sometime in the last couple of years.

Miss Elizabeth Rose told the police Miss Woodbury called her early this morning and sounded very depressed. She said the dead woman had been under treatment for a liver ailment.

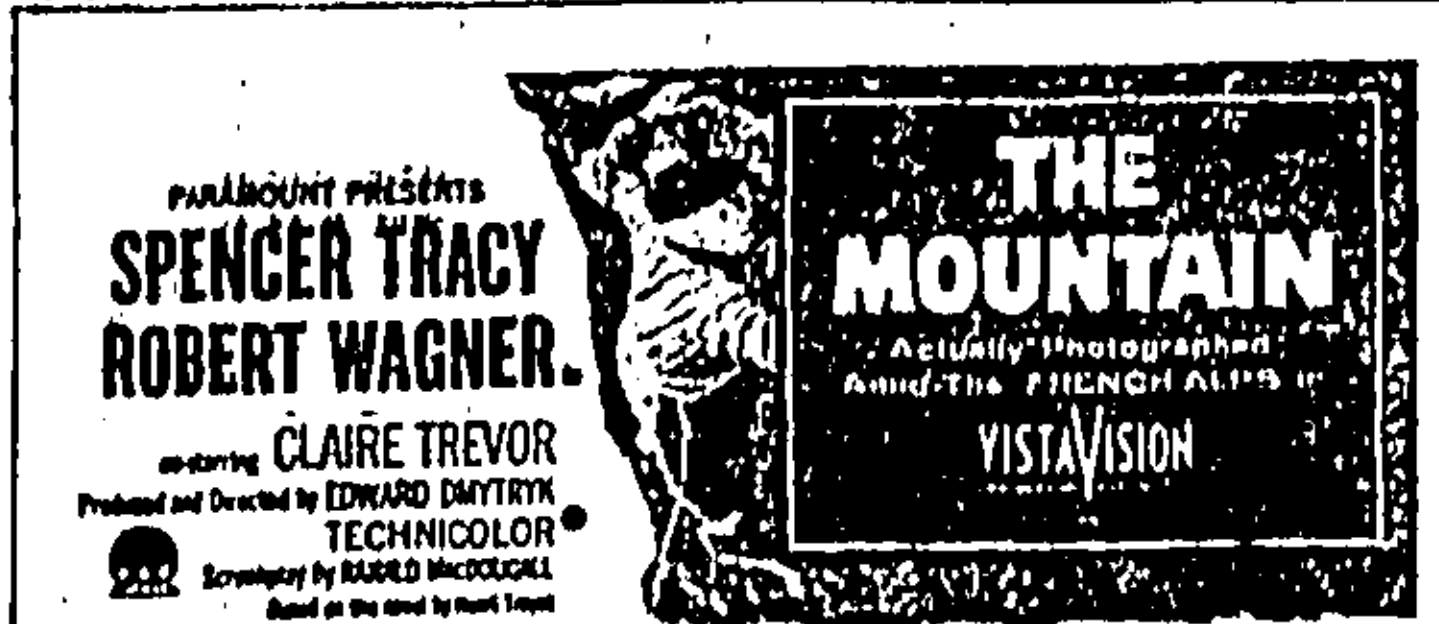
Miss Rose said she hurried to her friend's apartment, Miss Woodbury was wearing a pair of tight slacks and nothing above the waist when she answered the door, the police said. Miss Rose said her friend said to her: "You think I've been drinking, but I haven't."

She then became incoherent. Miss Rose gave her some milk and summoned a doctor, who pronounced Miss Woodbury dead when he arrived. The body was taken to Bellevue Hospital morgue for an autopsy. — United Press.

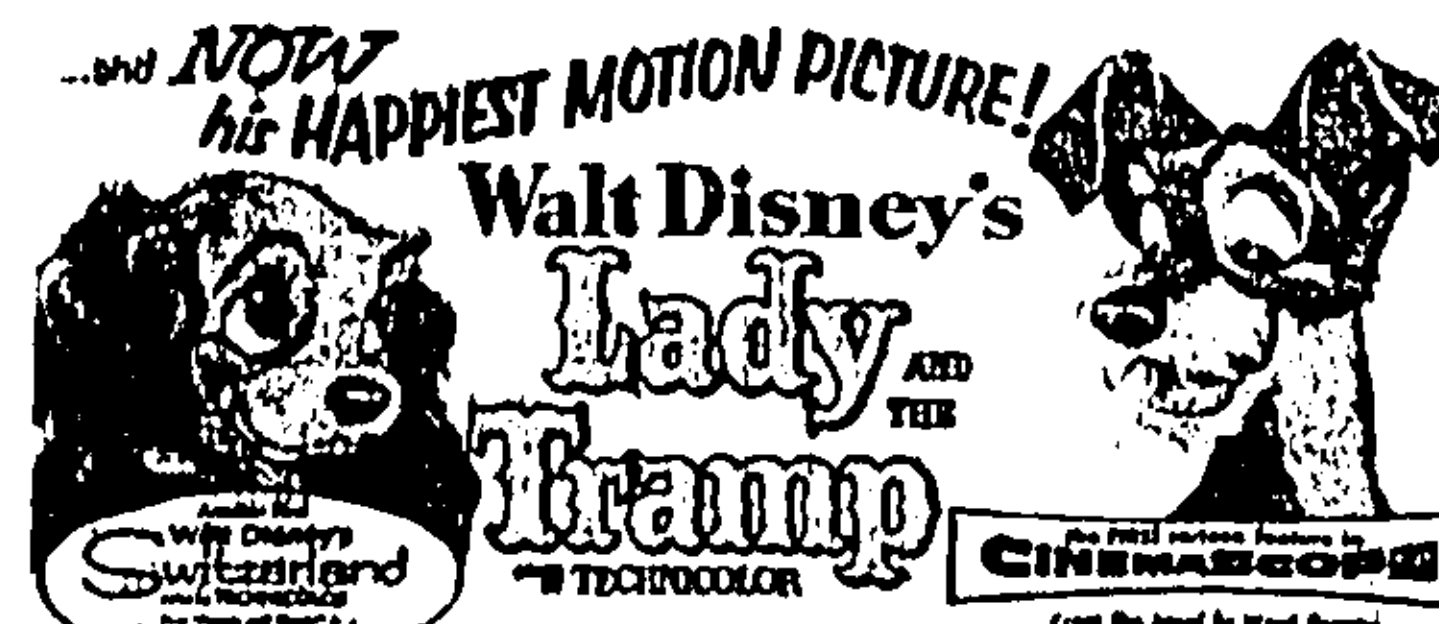
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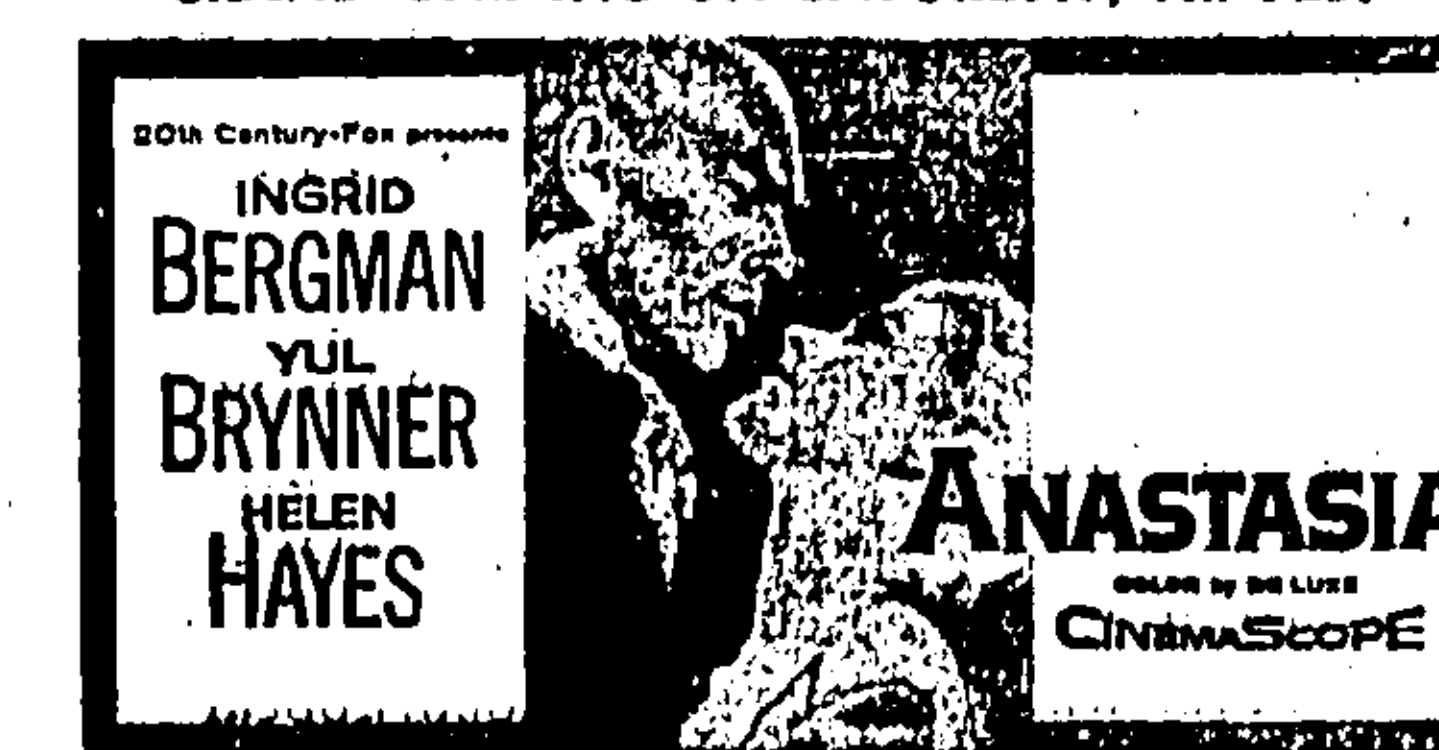
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**RUSSIA'S ECONOMY HITS TROUBLE****Not So Easy To Catch Up With America**

Moscow, Feb. 6.

Qualified observers viewed the Soviet Union's 1957 economic plan today as a frank admission the Russian economic system is running into difficulties.

One diplomat said the plan submitted to the opening meeting of the Supreme Soviet yesterday showed the United States does not have as much to worry about Russian competition as it thought.

"The Russians are not finding it as easy as they thought to

catch up to the United States production capacities," he said.

Michael A. Perovich, the man who was given the job of revitalizing the Soviet economic plan a month ago, presented a report which called for a one-third cut in the rate of Russia's industrial expansion.

Most Significant

This reduction was regarded here as the most significant since World War II.

He said industry should be expanded 7.1 per cent. Industry was increased 11 per cent last year.

He explained the Government had decided on more modest goals to avoid "excessive strain" in trying to achieve them.

In Washington, official sources, while awaiting arrival of more details on the new Russian budget, described it as "not particularly startling."

They said it appeared to provide for only a slight dip in defence spending, if any.

(According to a study by US Army Intelligence last year, Russia's economic strength is about one third that of the United States but the Soviets have out-produced the United States in military equipment except for the Korean war period.)

Arms Cut

Soviet Finance Minister Arsen Zverev told the Supreme Soviet that the 1957 arms budget would be cut about six per cent from 1956.

He said this was made possible by a cut in Soviet armed forces.

At the same time the Finance Minister announced a whopping 28 per cent increase in severely-needed housing construction compared to the 1956 goals.

The Central Committee of the Communist Party meeting last December ordered the over-ambitious five-year plan revised along "more realistic lines" and that was the job handed to Perovich.

He was answering questions by journalists about the reported statement of Mr. John Foster Dulles, American Secretary of State, at his news conference yesterday that the United States Government continued to consider the declaration an essential element in American policy, but it was not sure the other parties (Britain and France) still considered themselves bound by it.

—Reuter.

Air France Not Notified Of Ban

Paris, Feb. 6.

Neither the office of Air France in Beirut nor the headquarters of Air France in Paris have received official notification of the decision to ban French planes from flying over Arab countries.

The decision was reached by the Arab "Office for the boycott against Israel" in Damascus.

Air France officials said that even if the ban were applied it would not greatly affect Air France's traffic.

They pointed out that the stopover at Baghdad was used only once a week.

The Beirut stop was fairly important but limited to the Middle East.

These sources said the airlines for India and the Far East were already routed over Turkey and Iran.

—France-Press.

Tripartite Declaration Holds Good

Paris, Feb. 6.

The French Government continues to consider itself bound by the tripartite declaration of 1950 on the Middle East, which was one of the foundations of her Middle East policy.

A French Foreign Office spokesman said here tonight.

He was answering questions by journalists about the reported statement of Mr. John Foster Dulles, American Secretary of State, at his news conference yesterday that the United States Government continued to consider the declaration an essential element in American policy, but it was not sure the other parties (Britain and France) still considered themselves bound by it.

—Reuter.

Clash With Rebels

Algiers, Feb. 6.

French military forces operating in the Kabylia area, today clashed with a rebel band, killing 32 outlaws, wounding three and taking five prisoners.

They also captured a quantity of arms and ammunition. The same unit killed a rebel near Bouira, and another uniformed outlaw was shot at Stis, Mokra.

—France-Press.



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FRANCE SEEKS FREE TRADE GUARANTEES

Paris, Feb. 6.

M. Maurice Faure, Secretary of State at the French Foreign Office, said tonight that France would seek the same guarantees in the projected European free trade area as she has obtained in the negotiations on the six-nation common market plan.

Speaking at a political dinner M. Faure said about the plan to be discussed at next week's ministerial meeting of the Organisation of European Economic Co-operation:

"While we hope for the extension of the common market to a wider European free trade zone, we cannot agree to enter it on just any conditions. We shall ask for the same guarantees as we have obtained for the common market."

Advantage

"The free trade zone offers the advantage of the presence of Great Britain and may lead to an Anglo-Franco-German community," he added.

(The common market plan embraces France, Italy, West Germany, Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg.)

M. Faure said that France had obtained these guarantees in the draft common market treaty:

The other five countries will bring their social charges into harmony with those of France.

Paid holidays will be levelled up and women's wages and overtime rates will be brought into line in the first four years.

France can retain surtaxes on imports and aid to exports up to a limit of 15 per cent until her balance of payments has been level for a year and her foreign exchange reserves are sufficient.

There are safeguarding clauses on labour immigration and circulation of capital.

Farm Produce

French farm produce gets preference on German and Belgian markets.

"In the present state of the negotiations on the European market," said M. Faure, "I no longer glimpse the possibility of a breakdown. Nearly all problems are solved, except that of the overseas territories, which will be discussed on February 19 at heads of government level."

—Reuter.

SPAAK OFF TO SEE DULLES

Belgian Foreign Minister Paul-Henri Spaak left for New York tonight for Washington where he is to meet American Secretary of State John Foster Dulles.

M. Spaak made no statement before leaving.

—Reuter.

Utmost Care

Nuclear tests are considered indispensable to the making of the weapons, but they will be carried out with the utmost care and with due regard for the interests of other countries.

—France-Press.

Full New York Port Tie-Up Possible

New York, Feb. 6.

The port of New York is only one week away from a possible complete waterfront tie-up—a tip-up that could spread to other Atlantic coast ports.

Dock workers finish voting tomorrow on a "final offer" from the employers for a new labour contract.

If they reject this offer, as they have been advised to by their union, they will be free to strike next Thursday after an eighty-day court injunction expires. The injunction forbade them to strike.

—China Mail Special.

JAPAN TOUCHY OVER N-TESTS

London, Feb. 6.

Whitehall circles feel uneasy at the Japanese Government's stand on the question of British nuclear tests, scheduled to take place near Christmas Island in the Pacific between March and August this year.

News from Tokyo that Foreign Minister Nobusuke Kishi, 123, expressed the Japanese Government's intention to renew the representation made in London on January 30 has caused concern in British Government and parliamentary circles.

It is understood that the British Government is hastening the drafting of the reply to the Japanese note which will be handed "shortly" to Ambassador Haruhiko Nishi.

Selkirk's Visit

The British Government is anxious to avoid any bad feeling on this matter in Japan, lest the drive for the strengthening of Anglo-Japanese friendship should lose impetus.

Britain is looking forward to the results of the recent visit to Japan of a member of the Eden Government, Lord Selkirk, and wants to improve in every way the existing cordial relations between the two countries.

Moreover, the Japanese plea for a suspension of the tests has aroused wide sympathy and understanding in official and political circles.

It is pointed out, however, that unless a comprehensive international agreement covering nuclear and conventional disarmament is reached, Britain has the duty to protect her vital defence interests, and those of the free world, by manufacturing nuclear weapons, which are the greatest deterrents to a major war.

—France-Press.

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US CHARGED WITH ESPIONAGE

Moscow, Feb. 6. The Soviet Foreign Ministry's chief spokesman, Mr. Leonid Ilyichev, today made a bitter attack on American "subversive and espionage activity against the peace-loving countries," Tass reported.

Speaking at a specially-arranged press conference here, he named the Ford Foundation, the Rockefeller Foundation, the East European Foundation and the Carnegie Foundations among subversive forces "operating under the guise of all sorts of 'private' committees, foundations and unions."

He said: "The most well-known organization established for financing and directing subversive activity is the so-called 'Crusade for Freedom.'"

SUBSIDIARIES
"It ought to be added that the reactionary ruling quarters of the United States have subsidiaries of their propaganda and espionage centers in Europe of the 'free Europe' and 'liberation' type."

He declared that subversive activity against Communist countries "is an integral part of American foreign policy" and said it was "a matter of common knowledge that the United States Congress earmarks hundreds of millions of dollars for subversive activity."

Mr. Ilyichev also complained of "no less than 12... violations of the Soviet Union's air space" by US aircraft between April 1950 and December 1956.—Reuter.

Russia Taking Most Of Egypt's Exports

Cairo, Feb. 6. The semi-official Middle East News Agency reported today that Russia was now the leading importer of Egyptian goods. The report added that there would be a substantial increase in the trade between the two countries in the coming year. Egypt will soon purchase 200,000 tons of Russian wheat at a cost of US\$17,220,000 in Egyptian currency, which will later be used for the purchase of Egyptian cotton, the Middle East News Agency said.—United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Clerical title (8).
 - Elevate (5).
 - Crawling (6).
 - Approach road (6).
 - Deprives of weapons (7).
 - American coin (4).
 - Asked (7).
 - Opposite (7).
 - One of those flag girls (4).
 - Wild people (7).
 - Dog-house (6).
 - Unemployed state (8).
 - Pulled along (8).
 - Passage between seats (8).
- DOWN**
- Wide (5).
 - Heaps (5).
 - Be repeated (5).
 - Always (4).
 - Extinguish (6).
 - Obstinate (6).
 - Negligent (6).
 - Snake (6).
 - Nominates (5).
 - Tells tales (6).
 - It gives seating accommodation for over 500 on a vehicle (10).
 - Confused flight (6).
 - Insurrection (6).
 - Stringed instrument (6).
 - Undergarments (6).
 - Chow (6).
 - Slip along (6).
 - Recognize (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1 Custom, 5 Damps, 8 Minnie, 9 Barron, 10 Lucid, 11 Nopal, 12 Anow, 13 Torso, 14 Delate, 18 Orates, 20 Sires, 22 Cuba, 23 Strap (rev), 25 Sopin, 26 Trudge, 27 Green, 28 Blend, 29 Select. Down: 1 Cabages, 2 Surveyor, 3 Omen, 4 Mineret, 5 Dilates, 6 Amulet, 7 Prices, 8 Sirens, 14 Hospital, 16 Existent, 18 Ireland, 19 Legates, 20 Design, 21 Head, 24 Pine.

Doctrine Lebanon Minister To Seek Arab Support

Washington, Feb. 6. King Saud of Saudi Arabia, in his first direct public statement on President Eisenhower's Middle East programme, said today the programme was a "good one" which was "entitled to the consideration and appreciation of Arab countries."

He said at a press conference here that he would talk to other Arab leaders on "all matters," including Mr. Eisenhower's plan, when he returned home from his visit to the United States. But he parried the question when asked if he would try to win Arab co-operation for the plan. Which would give standby authority to the President to use American military force against overt Communist aggression in the Middle East, if requested, and to provide 200,000,000 dollars (about \$71,000,000 sterling) a year in American arms and economic aid.

Support Pledged
King Saud's declaration came after Lebanon's Foreign Minister, Mr. Charles Malik, pledged to seek support among the Arab States for the Eisenhower doctrine.

Mr. Malik, after a visit to President Eisenhower, told reporters he had given that assurance to the President. At the same time Mr. Malik said nobody knew better than he how difficult it would be to win full Arab co-operation.

King Saud said he expected to reach an agreement with President Eisenhower before leaving Washington this week-end on the continued American use of the Doha air base in his country.

Speaking through an interpreter, the 55-year-old monarch said he sought with the "co-operation of our friend, the American Government," to increase the size of his armed force. It now stood at about 15,000 men.

King Saud said he had "good hopes" of US help in that field.

Resisted Efforts
But he resisted efforts to get details of any economic development project he might have in mind.

When a reporter asked him about "the Communist threat to the Arabs," the King replied: "I think that the Arab world is well aware and keenly so in what is our own interests how to keep up our traditions."

Mr. Malik, who is in the United States to head his country's United Nations delegation, said he was going to see King Saud.

Lebanon itself, Mr. Malik said, would co-operate in the Eisenhower plan by "entering into friendly relations with the United States under the three aspects of the programme—military, economic and political."

Declined To Say
Mr. Malik said he had handed President Eisenhower a letter from Lebanon's President, Mr. Camille Chamoun. He declined to say whether it contained a plan for dealing with Middle East problems.

But, he said, President Chamoun "expressed deep friendship toward the United States Government."

Mr. Malik said Lebanon now got military aid from the United States, adding: "Nothing to speak of and we want more."—Reuter.

Haley's First Night In UK Uneventful

London, Feb. 6. Hundreds of teen-agers shouted for "rock 'n' roll" "king" Bill Haley and his "Comets" outside a London cinema tonight after an uneventful first performance in Britain.

Throughout the show muscular commissionaires stood in strategic positions to ensure that nobody tried to "rock 'n' roll" down the aisle, and no seats were broken.

But there the orderliness ended. The rest of the show was one of deafening blast of noise from Comets and audience alike.

There were screams of rapture at each of the numbers, and "See you later, Alligator" and "Don't Knock the Rock" were inaudible in the back of the stalls.

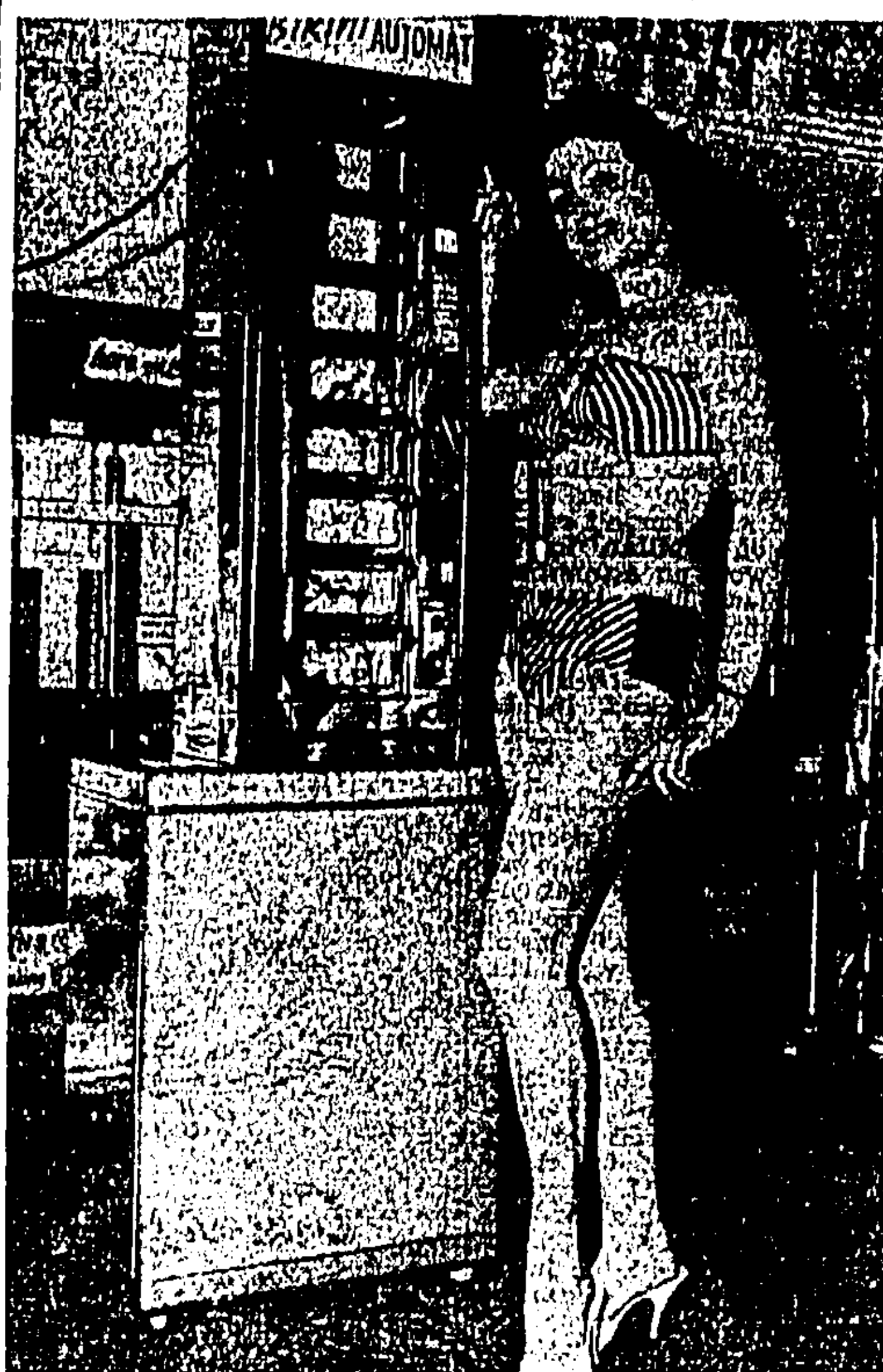
TARTAN JACKET

Haley himself was attired in a tartan dinner jacket, with his kilt-curt firmly in place. At one stage the bass player, wearing one red and one yellow sock, caused a riot by sitting sideways on his instrument to play it.

When it was all over the audience was temporarily sobered by the solemn notes of the National Anthem, but there were still a few hundred with enough voice left to shout for Haley outside the stage door. Two dozen police linked arms to hold them away. — China Mail Special.

Finn Premier Appreciative

Helsinki, Feb. 6. Finland's Prime Minister, Mr. Kauno Tuomioja, returned here today from a visit to Moscow and Leningrad and said "the Russian hospitality was overwhelming." He said he believed the journey had served to strengthen Finland's connections with the Soviet Union. "I am very satisfied with the whole journey," he added.—Reuter.



Pretty Margaret Rowe (Miss England 1955) wearing the bikini she obtained from the bikini vendor machine currently on show in London's Amusement Trades Fair. Machines of this kind are expected to prove popular at British bathing resorts this summer—among both sexes.—Express Photo.

Central Sumatra Rulers To Be More Drastic

Djakarta, Feb. 6. The leaders of Central Sumatra's Buffalo Council today promised to carry out "even more radical and revolutionary steps without hesitation" in meeting the wishes of the people.

Lieut-Col Ahmad Hussein made the statement to a giant rally of nearly 100,000 persons in Padang who demanded the end of the Prime Minister Ali Sastrodijolo's coalition Cabinet.

Against Appeals
The rally passed a resolution calling President Soekarno to use his influence and authority to press Premier Ali into dissolving the Cabinet.

The resolution also urged members of Parliament to vote against any government appeals for confidence in the legislature.

The huge meeting, organised by the Central Sumatra people's Committee, also urged the Buffalo Council to take even more radical and revolutionary steps in realising the wishes of the people in Central Sumatra and Indonesia.

Radio Padang reported that a similar rally took place in the town of Tanah Datar and another rally was scheduled in Bukittinggi.

The mass meetings followed the negotiations between the Buffalo Council and a government delegation from Djakarta. Central Sumatra leaders have described the negotiations as "a failure."

Atom Bombs Thrown Over The Shoulder In Low Level Attacks

Minneapolis, Feb. 6. **BRITISH** fighter-bombers will be fitted with one of America's latest tactical weapons—a low-altitude bombing system which allows a low-flying jet aircraft to deliver an atomic bomb and escape safely, it was announced here today.

The announcement was made by the Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Company, which said it had been granted an export licence to begin immediate delivery of an undisclosed number of bombing systems under a 750,000 dollars (about £287,850 sterling) contract.

Mr. Stephen F. Keating, Vice-President of the company's Aeronautical Division, said that the State Department had approved the deliveries to the Royal Air Force. His company manufactures the equip-

MOROCCAN SUPPORT FOR ALGERIA IN UNITED NATIONS

United Nations, Feb. 6. Morocco told the United Nations today that North Africa had a "common future" and peace in Algeria involved the security of Morocco and Tunisia as well as their relations with France.

The Moroccan Ambassador, El Mehdi ben Abdou addressed the General Assembly's Main Political Committee. He said: "From the point of view of the principle of the freedom of peoples to the right of self-determination, from the point of view of the security of North Africa, from the point of view of historical progress toward the

liberation of subject peoples, from the point of view of our ideological faith that spiritual values are higher than the material and occasionally illegitimate selfishness of individuals, the Algerian problem in our eyes assumes the greatest moral significance," he said.

General Nature

Mr. ben Abdou said Morocco's views were of a general nature "which can be applied to all similar questions such as those of the Algerian national struggle."

He defined Morocco's basic attitude as that set forth by Sultan Mohammed V in his appeal for an end to the Algerian bloodshed and the granting of the aspirations of freedom of the people.

He quoted the Sultan's remarks: "North Africa forms a whole from the geographic and ethnic point of view. The three countries which make it up are closely connected by language, religion and traditions. Their future, like their past, is common. Everything that affects Algeria affects Morocco. This is why the return of peace in Algeria remains for us of capital concern. Our security is at stake, the security of North Africa is at stake, and the relations of friendship which the three countries sincerely wish to maintain with France."

Sister Countries
Mr. ben Abdou said: "In the Mediterranean basin, Morocco has neighbouring and friendly countries. France is one. In North Africa there are sister countries with inter-relationships and a mutual effect in peace and freedom. Algeria is one of those countries."

"This question is an international problem in which France and Morocco will gain by finding a solution, by doubling its efforts and with the help of the United Nations."

The UN's interest, he said, proved the general desire for peace and "the firm will to defend the national aspirations for freedom."

He said: "Any carte blanche given to a colonial country to dictate its will... leads only to an exacerbation of opposite reaction. Any peaceful contribution by the United Nations speeds up the development of understanding."

Many Examples
Mr. ben Abdou said the world had many examples of co-operation "in the spirit of times" to settle disputes but "there is no example in support of the colonial thesis according to which military action can restore peace. This thesis is an optical error which is often deliberate for want of a better argument. The question of Algeria appears quite evidently as a new and specific illustration of a general matter—that is, colonialism...."

"Algeria was an independent State before the French landing on its shores. It was transformed into a colony. It was annexed as a French territory, territory being taken as a means of exploiting the country."

"Today, whatever the views of the European settlers, the Algerian people are demanding their return to freedom."—United Press.

Russia And US Agree —On Seals

Washington, Feb. 6. Japan, Canada, the Soviet Union and the United States will sign a new agreement limiting fur-seal fishing in the North Pacific, in Washington on Saturday, it was officially announced here today.

The new agreement is the result of negotiations which have been going on intermittently in Washington among representatives of the four countries since the end of 1955.—France-Press.

British aircraft in which the bombing systems were to be fitted.

But in recent public demonstrations in the United States, a Republic T-84F Thunderstreak plane showed how the system could be used in "over-the-shoulder" bombing.

The attacking plane passed over the target and tossed the bomb back to it as it streaked to safety.

—China Mail Special.

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Indian Press Council Shape Opposed

New Delhi, Feb. 6. Indian newspaper editors meeting here today declared they were "extremely unhappy" with the shape of the Government's bill to set up a press council in India.

The bill has been adopted by the upper house—the Council of States—and is now pending before the House of the People.

The Standing Committee of the All India Newspaper Editors' Conference, which represents all the main newspapers, passed a resolution, criticizing particularly the bill's proposal to give the press council power to extract information compulsorily from journalists. It also disapproved of the inclusion of professional politicians on the press council.

IMPARTIAL CHAIRMAN

The resolution proposed that the bill should be amended, firstly to constitute a press council entirely of journalists and representatives of newspaper managements, except for the chairman, who might be someone impartial of the standing of a High Court judge; secondly to delete the same powers as a civil court in summoning persons and examining them on oath.

The resolution said "this section is objectionable on these grounds:—

"A. Compulsory extraction of information; B. Summoning and enforcing attendance of persons and examining them on oath; and C. Requiring the discovery and production of documents." The resolution proposed that the press council should be self-regulatory body and that its life should be limited initially to three years, at the end of which its work should be reviewed by Parliament in consultation with the press.—Reuter.

World Govt Group See Mrs Pandit

London, Feb. 6. Mrs Pandit, India's High Commissioner in London, today received Mr. I. J. Pitman and Mr. Henry Osborne of the British Parliamentary Group for world government.

They told her that supporters of the movement were pressing for the positive interest of governments in the commission set up by the United Nations on UN Charter review. It is due to report back this year.

Mr. Pitman and Mr. Osborne hoped that the Commission will propose the establishment of a new wing of the United Nations.

They also stressed the importance of endowing the UN with ownership of strategic points throughout the world, such as the Sinai Peninsula, Panama, Gibraltar, Singapore and Aden.

Mr. Pandit thought the suggestions should be considered in circumstances in the UN were more favourable.—France-Press.

Allegations Against Mindszenty

Budapest, Feb. 6. An American spokesman said tonight "everything practicable" was being done to prevent Cardinal Jozsef Mindszenty using the United States Legation here "as a base for conducting political or related activities."

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Vietnam, Feb. 6. People who assist Hungarians to cross the border illegally into a foreign country will be punished with up to 10 years imprisonment, Budapest radio reported today.—China Mail Special.

THE RETURN OF DR. KANG

A Question Of Tailoring

THE captain of the Dragia smiled nervously at Dr. Kang and fiddled with a cable slip on the desk before him. "You are, no doubt, curious to know why I have sent for you, Dr. Kang?"

For a moment Dr. Kang said nothing. He sat in a shaft of warm tropical sunlight that streamed through the porthole and beamed blandly through his spectacles; sixtyish, over-plump, a Buddha in a white silk suit, he was, if the truth were to be known, wondering whether any of his past misdeeds was about to catch up with him.

He said: "A man who loses his curiosity, captain, is like a man who loses his appetite. He does not survive long without it. I presume I am here because of something written in that cable?"

The captain nodded.

"Something that concerns me?"

"Not directly, Dr. Kang."

"Good," Dr. Kang's large head inclined graciously.

"The truth is," said the captain, "that we have aboard a certain Mr. Graves—that is how he is described on the passenger list. This cable was sent to him."

"He has the cabin next to mine."

"Well, his real name is Beckford, and he is an official of a South African diamond concern. He travels, incognito, from Capetown to Marseilles and he carries with him on his person a valuable consignment of diamonds. This cable is from his agents in Capetown to say that his real identity is known, and it is feared that there is someone aboard who may try to relieve him of his diamonds."

Dr. Kang smiled. "And you thought I might be that person?"

"No, Dr. Kang. Ten years ago I might have thought so."

"But now," Dr. Kang's eyes sparkled behind his glasses, "it is known that the Uger has grown old and prefers to lie in the sun and sleep rather than hunt?"

"It's a nice way of putting it."

"Then what do you require of me?"

"Mr. Graves—I shall continue to refer to him by that name—has suggested that for a substantial fee you might become his watchdog, shall we call it? Until we reach Marseilles. You have adjoining cabins and there is a communicating door

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which I could have unlocked. He is ready to follow any instructions for his safety which you may wish to lay down."

Dr. Kang rose slowly. "Let us go and see Mr. Graves and discuss, first, the substantial fee and then the precautions for his safety."

TOUCH OF VANITY

MR. Graves was a man of about 50, precise, thin-faced, and not one to waste words. There was a trace of American accent in his voice. Precise, thought Dr. Kang, to the point of primness, and yet not without a touch of vanity, he decided, as he eyed the half-length green silk smoking jacket the man was wearing.

"The captain has explained things to you, Dr. Kang?"

"He has, Mr. Graves. My fee is a thousand dollars."

"Done. Now what do you suggest? Diamond thieves don't stick at murder. I want to reach Marseilles alive."

"You carry the diamonds always on you?"

"Always, even when I sleep."

Dr. Kang was silent for a moment. The Dragia was a small cargo-passenger boat with less than two dozen passengers. With the captain's help he could check through them.

"I think," said Dr. Kang, "that as our cabins adjoin Mr. Graves and I should change over. I will



A thin black object was suddenly hanging from O'Hara's cheek.

bring all my things in here and yours into my cabin Mr. Graves. But we will go on using the separate and same entrances as before. If the thief comes in your cabin—and I am well able to look after myself."

"That's a great idea," said Mr. Graves.

"Then I will now help you to change our things over," said Dr. Kang.

The captain went off to get the key to the communicating door between the cabins. Within half an hour Mr. Graves and Dr. Kang had changed cables helping one another to carry cases and the contents of wardrobes and drawers.

CLOSE TOGETHER

FOR several days the Dragia steamed up the West African coast and, as long as daylight lasted, Dr. Kang kept very close to Mr. Graves. At night they retired to the same time, using their old cabin entrances and passing through the adjoining door to sleep in each other's cabin. They both locked their outer doors and they both slept soundly.

Very discreetly Dr. Kang began to investigate the other passengers. With some reluctance the captain furnished Dr. Kang with a pass key to all the other cabins, and with more reluctance deliberately invited all the other passengers in groups to be drinks with him before dinner so that Dr. Kang could go through their cabins.

Dr. Kang turned and hurried out of his cabin.

MISTAKEN IDENTITY

IT was a grim little conference in the ship's surgery. The captain, Dr. Kang and Mr. Graves were there, and Mr. Graves was very angry.

"It's clear what happened. O'Hara and I are about the same build. But more than that," he nodded to the bulk of a body that lay stretched out under a sheet—"you'll notice he was wearing a smoking jacket like mine—colour to the colour."

The thief, murderer, whoever he is, mistook him for me. There's somebody aboard this ship with a blowpipe and poison darts that kill in a couple of seconds. Dr. Kang, you've got a long way to go before you earn your thousand dollars. Next time it may be me."

Dr. Kang rubbed his chin with a plump hand. "You know," he said, "I don't think you'll ever pay me a thousand dollars. No, I don't think so."

"It is I'm bumped off. I won't," snapped Mr. Graves.

Dr. Kang stared at the sheet-covered body.

SAME NAME

"MR. Graves, you say that you took your name as an incognito for this trip—but when I helped you carry your stuff into my cabin I noticed that all your tailor's labels, even on old suits, gave your name as Graves. Curious... because when I searched all the other cabins I found that all Mr. O'Hara's clothes bore a tailor's label inside with the name of Beckford."

"What?" The captain stared at Dr. Kang.

"Beckford, captain, Mr. Graves isn't Beckford. O'Hara is. Mr. Graves even had a smoking jacket made like O'Hara's so that it would appear that O'Hara was killed for him by mistake. Except..."

Dr. Kang's eyes twinkled. "That O'Hara wasn't killed."

The sheet over the body stirred and O'Hara sat up.

"That's right," he said cheerfully. "Damn clever those Chinese. And now, Mr. Graves, I'll trouble you to hand back the bolt with my diamonds in it that you took out on the deck there."

Dr. Kang said softly, "It is true, Mr. Graves. Mr. O'Hara is alive. I found your blowpipe in your cabin when you were talking with the captain. I throw the poison away and filled the bottle with angostura... a bitter but not deadly substitute."

Tuesday: THE SLASHER SLIPS UP

There were moments as Dr. Kang searched the various cabins when he regretted that he was not 10 years younger and still dedicated to a life of opportunity. But virtue, he told himself, though it makes a man's days dull, gives him untold sleep at night.

Of the handful of passengers only two interested Dr. Kang. One was a Madame Callini, a striking woman in her early thirties, who gave herself out to be the wife of a Milan industrialist and wore an astonishing selection of jewellery. Only Dr. Kang knew that it was all paste and that she had served three sentences for fraud. She kept a little scrap-book locked in her case with the cuttings of her trials pasted in it—the vanity of women!

The other passenger was a thin, sardonic-looking Irishman called O'Hara, who made no friends with the other passengers, kept to himself, and carried a small automatic pistol fitted with a silencer when he went for a stroll round the decks before turning in.

ON WATCH

ON the night before they were due to dock at Marseilles Dr. Kang retired to his cabin but did not go to sleep. He turned off his light, drew the curtains back from his porthole and kept watch. Every night Mr. O'Hara was in the habit around eleven o'clock of smoking an cigarette in an angle of the deck which Dr. Kang could just see from his porthole. If

Dr. Kang might have left the path of lawlessness himself but his knowledge of the tricks of the trade was unimpaired

Mr. Graves's diamonds were to be stolen, Dr. Kang had decided, it would be on this night, so that the next day in the confusion of arriving at Marseilles and the fuss with police and customs they could be slipped overboard to an accomplice, or the thief could disappear ashore.

A match was struck in the deck corner. As O'Hara lit his cigarette, his lean face was bright in the flame.

Then Dr. Kang heard a whistle of air and a thin, black object was suddenly hanging from O'Hara's cheek. The man half-turned, began to raise his hand to his cheek and then toppled over. A man's shadowy bulk moved swiftly across the deck towards the recumbent O'Hara.

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Cummings

The Cabinet that Mr. Gaitskill was hoping for...

CALAMITY GEORGE HAS SCARED THE BOOM BOYS

"A DEPRESSION that will curl your hair." This phrase is one which Americans cannot get out of their minds.

It was spoken by Secretary of the Treasury George Humphrey almost two weeks ago, but it is still echoing all over the land and has quite drowned out President Eisenhower's noble sentiments expressed in his inauguration speech.

Humphrey is the strong man of the Eisenhower Cabinet, and by far the outstanding member of the President's team.

Everything he has touched has been crowned with success, in contrast to the performance of Mr. Dulles in foreign affairs.

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Rank amateurs put their money on industrials, or oil, or mines, and up came the lucky number almost every time.

Even elevator men, shop assistants, and clerks were taking the plunge. It wasn't the roaring '20s, but it was the noisy '50s, and the cash register rang up the dollars hard and loud.

At that time my chemist told me: "I made more money on the stock market in one year than I earned in the previous three. I'm thinking of making the market my all-time occupation." I warned him not to, although I was beginning to fancy myself as a minor wizard of Wall Street.

I saw my chemist—or drug-store clerk as he is called here. He was very gloomy. He said: "The big spend is off and I'm never touching the stock market again."

Many people are blaming Mr. Humphrey for speaking so

bluntly. What is needed here, says Mr. Macmillan's tip is a State Visit by Queen Elizabeth.

I am surprised that the Queen's advisers, a conservative group without too much imagination, did not think of this last year or even the year before.

But it is not too late now. The Queen has never visited this country since she assumed the Crown. The last visit of a reigning British monarch was in 1939, when King George VI and his Queen made a tour here.

The goodwill that would flow from a visit by the Queen and the Dulles of Edinburgh would more than wash away the silt of bitterness caused by Suez.

If the Queen had a resident in Canada, and played at least two months of each year there, as I have advocated over and over again, regular visits to the

split between the President and Mr. Humphrey.

Perhaps Mr. Eisenhower will be able to explain it all at his next Press conference.

'Not smart'

EVERYTHING is ready for the visit of King Saud of Saudi Arabia, but no one except the President and his staff and Mr. Dulles and his staff, and, of course, Standard Oil, seem at all enthusiastic. To see Saud before conferring with Mr. Macmillan is not considered particularly smart by most Americans.

As for the tentative visit of Marshal Tito, that is considered so ill-advised as to be out-

United States would be an accepted thing.

There has been a lot of mail and pretty mixed. Many of the letters are very bitter in their feelings towards the United States. I ask a little restraint, but my thanks to the other readers, and particularly to the 70-year-old Scotsman, of Glasgow, who is too modest to have me print her name, but writes: "Of course, our country will win through—it always does."

Japanese week

IN entertainment it is Japanese film week here (fancy that), and a tremendous American fuss is being made over a delegation of Japanese movie-makers. There are special showings every day of Japanese films in the Museum of Modern Art.

The Americans are a funny people.

Mr. Ralph Richardson is a big success in "Waltz of the Toreadors." So another British star triumphs on Broadway—at a time when there has been an extraordinary number of fast flops.

So many shows have folded that critic-baiting has become the chief activity of outraged and out-of-work stars and feature players.

Fey Emerson says: "Why should critics be allowed to destroy productions which cost over 100,000 dollars and which took so much hard work and heartache on the part of everybody? The argument is as old as the theatre."

FOOTNOTE: A depression that would curl America's hair would mean the rest of the Western world, losing its scalp.

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dom from our pound notes, by any number up to 10. You'll find that the sequence of figures remains the same although the number is changed.

Thus, multiplying by 3 (for instance) the number becomes 176470582352941.

Therefore, whichever card was picked the figures would remain the same so Mrs. Koran had simply to know where to begin to get the right sequence. This could be by simple code—"bureau" for 5, for example.

I challenged Al. "You've guessed almost all of it," he admitted. "You're right about the number, but I'm not going to give away the rest of it."

"I've never been caught out before," I considered myself a genius.

Now Al has promised really to bamboozle me later this week. It's a date, Al.

"Just like that"

says Malcolm Scrimgeour

MAGICIAN Al Koran performed a "miracle" for the Press after appearing in a show at the Hippodrome in Manchester, Great Britain, and bamboozled everyone—but me.

The "Miracle": In his dressing room, Al borrowed several pound notes from Pressmen, then copied down numbers from the notes "at random," producing a 15 figure number.

The number: 588235294117647. Handing an ordinary pack of cards to one Pressman he said: "Pick a card." A five was picked and then Al asked us to multiply the first number by five.

Result: 2941176470588235. Al then asked one of us to phone his wife, Edith, in Epsom, London. "Tell her to open the envelope marked Manchester in my bureau drawer and read out what's written on the paper inside," said Al.

Over the phone Mrs. Koran read out the figures: 2941176470588235. Incredible? Yes. But it set me thinking.

My explanation: There are certain numbers (reciprocals of prime numbers, the mathematical call them) which produce the same sequence of figures when multiplied or divided by numbers up to 10.

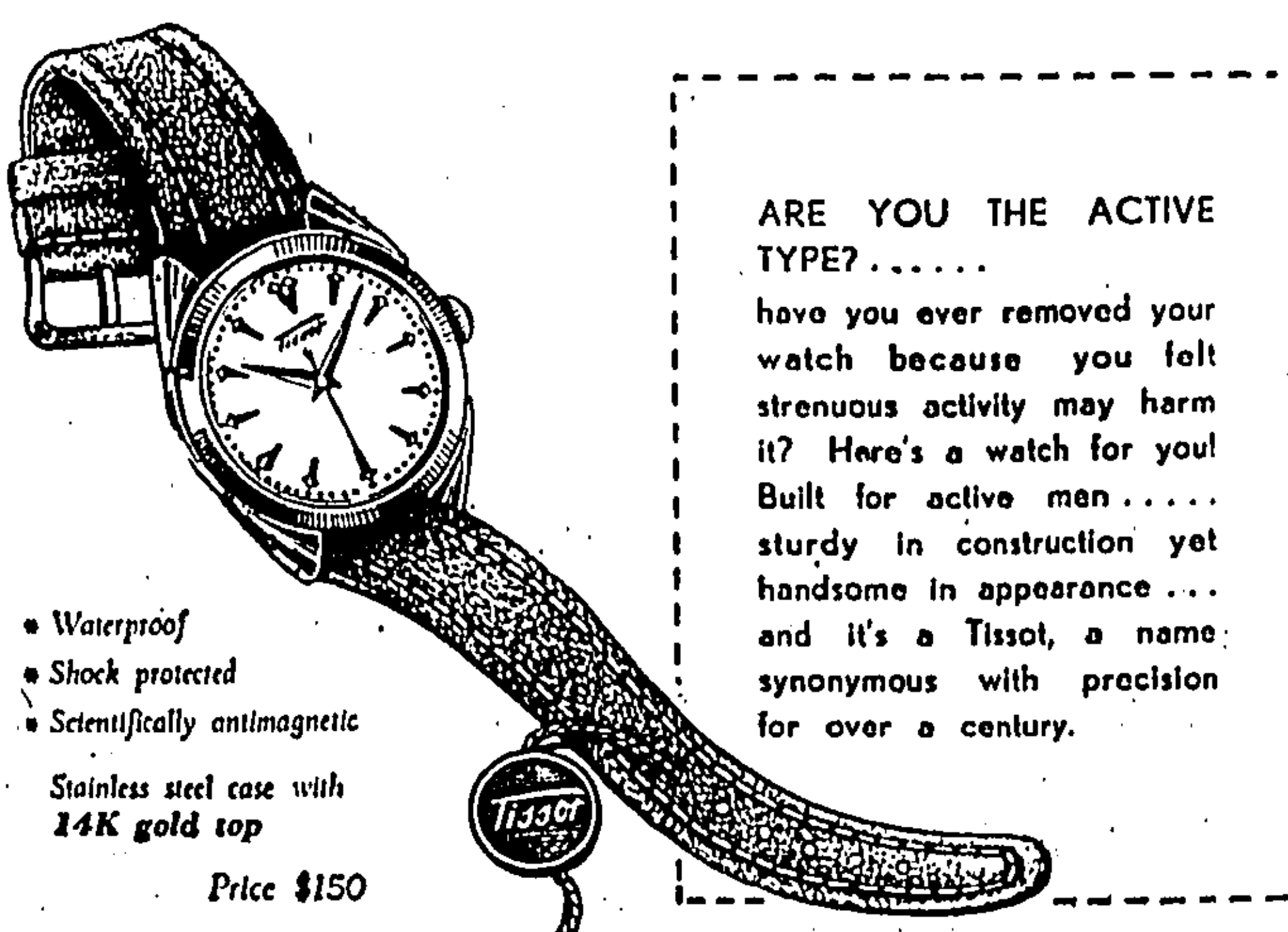
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Bilbao Beaten 3-0 In European Cup Soccer Quarter-Final

Manchester, Feb. 6. Manchester United, the English League Champions, entered the semi-finals of the European Football Cup when they beat Bilbao, of Spain, 3-0 in the second leg of their quarter-final tie here tonight.

Manchester were beaten 5-3 in the first leg at Bilbao, but won the tie on aggregate 6-5. Thus they took another step towards the ambitious treble English League Championship, English Football Association Cup and the European Cup.

Moving with speed and precision in the heavy mud, Manchester United, who led 1-0 at halftime, hammered away at the magnificent Spanish defence for most of the game. But it was not until five minutes before the end that winger Johnny Berry scored the goal which took them into the semi-finals.

Bilbao attacked only occasionally and were never really dangerous, but their defence looked like earning a replay. Denis Viollet scored United's first goal four minutes before halftime, and centre-forward Tommy Taylor, who was outstanding among the home forwards, netted the second after 71 minutes.—Reuter.

Koci Cables World Boxing Commission For An Enquiry

Buenos Aires, Feb. 6. Lazaro Koci, manager of World Flyweight Boxing Champion, Pascual Perez of the Argentine, said today that he could not reply to the offer made for a world title fight between Perez and Hiroshi Mikioka of Japan until the World Boxing Commission and National Boxing Association had taken a position on accusations made against Koci.

The accusations were made by Rancho Rosales, manager of Memo Diaz, Mexico's second world ranking flyweight, after he returned to Mexico on Sunday.

Rosales then alleged that Koci, in league with Argentine doctors, had invented fictitious illnesses for Diaz, so as to prevent the Mexican boxer from being able to fight against Perez for the world title in Buenos Aires recently.

Koci, in a telegram to the Secretary-General of the World Boxing Commission, Edouard Rabret, called for an enquiry into Rosales' "infamous accusations".

Koci said he would take no decision concerning Perez's next fight for the world title until the World Commission had taken a stand on the Diaz-Rosales affair.—France-Press.

Sandy Saddler May Come Out Of Retirement

New York, Feb. 6. Former World Featherweight Boxing Champion, Sandy Saddler, who retired from the ring last month because of an eye injury, said today he hoped to box again one day, after a long treatment to his eye.

Saddler has had several days of detailed medical examination in a New York hospital. A specialist said after the examination that the new treatment had already succeeded in a dozen cases. If the treatment proved successful, Saddler would be able to box again after a long convalescence, the doctor said.

Saddler was injured in a road accident last summer and has not boxed since. When he retired last month after a first medical examination, it was said that if he boxed again, he might lose his sight completely.—France-Press.

Only Eight Countries Enter Ice Hockey

Copenhagen, Feb. 6. Japan is one of only eight countries entered for the world ice-hockey championships to be held in Moscow from the end of this month to the beginning of March. It was learned here today after a preliminary meeting of the International Ice Hockey Federation's Executive Committee.

The other entries are: The Soviet Union, Czechoslovakia, Sweden, Finland, East Germany, Austria and Poland.—France-Press.

Hongkong FA Soccer Fixtures For Feb. 16-17

The following Hongkong Football Association matches have been arranged for the week ending February 16-17:

Senior Shield Semi-final: KMB v. RAF, Boundary St. 3.45 p.m. Ref. F. J. Kirkham; Lines, R. Webb/J. D. Jones.
Junior Shield Semi-final: RAF Sal Wan v. Gymnastic, Boundary St. 2 p.m. Ref. R. H. Law; Lines, A. A. James/F. R. Prallett.

1st Div: Navy v. Police (PP from 14.10.36), Navy 4 p.m. Ref. S. F. Dradley; Lines, S. U. Woo/W. Sanders.
2nd Div: Telephone v. Tai-koo, Navy 2.30 p.m. Ref. J. Moore; Lines, D. P. Lai/Wong Yuk-chung.

RAMC v. Jordine, H. V. 4.30 p.m. Ref. Lai Shiu-wing; Lines, S. Y. Kwok/Yi Loong-kin.
Solicitors v. Prisons, H. V. 4.30 p.m. Ref. Tsang King-hong; Lines, Liu Ting-kai/Yau Wah-hing.

3rd Div: Dodwell v. University, H. V. 3 p.m. Ref. George Jor; Lines, Lee Kan-chi/Li Fook-on.
Rediffusion v. CMB, H. V. 3 p.m. Ref. S. E. Matthews; Lines, Lee Tuk-kee/A. McIntosh.

C & W v. Aircraft, H. V. 3 p.m. Ref. Lau Kim-ming; Lines, Luk Tat-sun/Ng Chun-wing.
HIL v. Hollandia, H. V. 4.30 p.m. Ref. W. H. Lau; Lines, Mak Hin-tang/Y. C. Mak.

February 17
Senior Shield Semi-final: Kitchener v. South China, HK Stadium 3.45 p.m. Ref. E. G. Dawson; Lines, D. G. Simpson/R. P. Browning.

Junior Shield Semi-final: South China v. Army, HK Stadium 2 p.m. Ref. R. Marsden-White; Lines, Li Ping-pui/Cheung Yung-ting.

2nd Div: Tramways v. B & S, H. V. 4.30 p.m. Ref. F. W. King-chung; Lines, F. W. Bates/Chan Shiu-chuen.
H.V. v. Tung Wah, H. V. 4.30 p.m. Ref. P. Manson; Lines, F. J. O'Brien/Choy Wing-chuen.

3rd Div: Kin. Godown v. University, H. V. 3 p.m. Ref. Chan Man-chong; Lines, Ng Yue-wai/H. N. Tam.
CMB v. AFS, H. V. 3 p.m. Ref. Chan Ping-tak; Lines, Tsang Nui-bun/J. J. Murphy.

Matches Postponed—2nd Div: Gymnastic v. Dockyard. RAF Sal Wan v. CMB.

Fewer Gold Medals In Next Olympic Games?

New York, Feb. 6. A reported move to streamline the Olympic Games and cut down the number of gold medals drew a mixed reception today from Mr. Lyman Bingham, executive director of the US Olympic Committee.

He said: "We are not in favour of restricting further the number of participants—we are almost down to the bone now. But we do feel we can't run a fairly good game for evaluating gold medals."

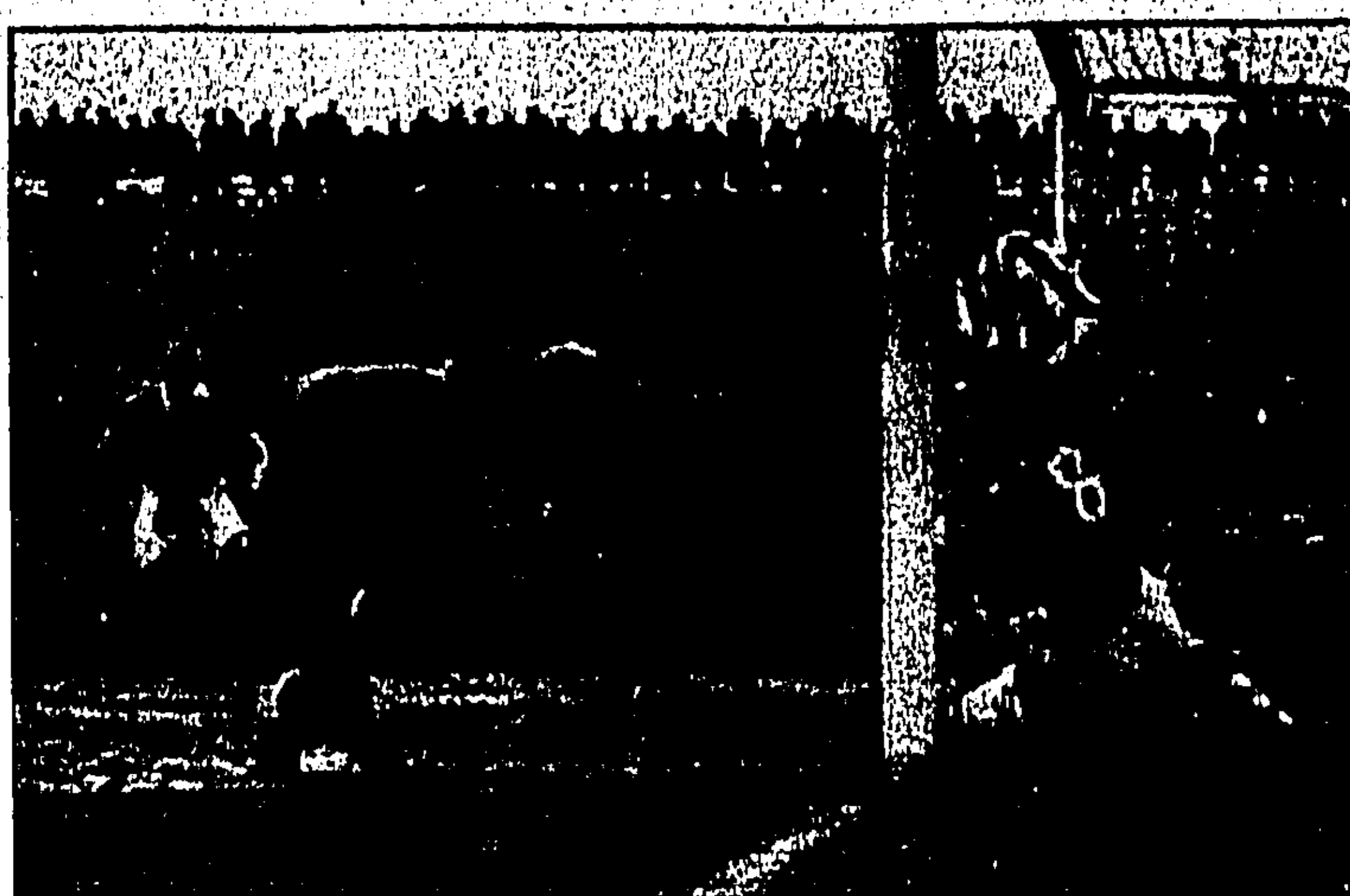
Mr. Bingham was commenting on a report from Olympic sources in West Germany that the International Olympic Committee were considering a complete reorganisation of the Games at their meeting in Lausanne in June.

Points reported to be under consideration by the IOC were: reduction of the number of competitors by staging preliminary competitions; elimination of cycling and soccer unless these sports could come more in line with amateur regulations; reorganisation of the gold medal situation, cutting down the number given for individual gymnastics exercises.—China Mail Special.

Week-End Softball

Sunday, February 7
3.00 p.m. **Golden Gate Club** (G. Pang, H. Viana; Lee Bernard).
Sunday, February 18
3.30 p.m. **Golden Gate Club** (G. Pang, H. Viana; Lee Bernard).
Sunday, February 19
3.30 p.m. **Golden Gate Club** (G. Pang, H. Viana; Lee Bernard).
Sunday, February 20
3.30 p.m. **Golden Gate Club** (G. Pang, H. Viana; Lee Bernard).
Sunday, February 21
3.30 p.m. **Golden Gate Club** (G. Pang, H. Viana; Lee Bernard).
Sunday, February 22
3.30 p.m. **Golden Gate Club** (G. Pang, H. Viana; Lee Bernard).
Sunday, February 23
3.30 p.m. **Golden Gate Club** (G. Pang, H. Viana; Lee Bernard).
Sunday, February 24
3.30 p.m. **Golden Gate Club** (G. Pang, H. Viana; Lee Bernard).
Sunday, February 25
3.30 p.m. **Golden Gate Club** (G. Pang, H. Viana; Lee Bernard).
Sunday, February 26
3.30 p.m. **Golden Gate Club** (G. Pang, H. Viana; Lee Bernard).
Sunday, February 27
3.30 p.m. **Golden Gate Club** (G. Pang, H. Viana; Lee Bernard).
Sunday, February 28
3.30 p.m. **Golden Gate Club** (G. Pang, H. Viana; Lee Bernard).
Sunday, February 29
3.30 p.m. **Golden Gate Club** (G. Pang, H. Viana; Lee Bernard).
Sunday, February 30
3.30 p.m. **Golden Gate Club** (G. Pang, H. Viana; Lee Bernard).

TENSE MOMENT FOR NEWCASTLE



Millwall inside-right Shepherd (No. 8) watches from inside the Newcastle United goal as goalkeeper Simpson is beaten by the ball during the FA Cup Fourth Round match at the Den, New Cross, London on January 26. The ball was safely cleared by the Newcastle defenders. Millwall won 2-1.—Reuterphoto.

RUGGER PREVIEW

There Will Be No Easy Victory For England When They Meet Ireland

By DUGAL SMITH

There should have been a notice on the training fields of the England Rugby Fifteen. A warning: "Take care. Beware of the Irish bull."

For there will be no repeat of last season's easy victory for England when they meet Ireland at Dublin on Saturday.

No weary, dispirited Irish pack crumbling under the battering of a superior eight and fast, crashing wings.

The odds are even. Ireland are again a Rugby power. And, after their 11-0 drubbing of France at Dublin, a confident power with the potential to beat any team in this international competition.

Another Irish advantage: England have not won in Ireland since 1938. In five games at Lansdowne-road since the war the tally stands at three Irish wins and two draws.

England are yet unproven. But for the injury to full back Allison the selectors would have kept the team that beat Wales so luckily on January 19. And the question remains: Are they a winning combination?

The penalty goal that brought the 3-0 victory over Wales did not answer this.

TIGHT BATTLE

The game with Ireland will hinge on the tight battle of the front row.

Once the tough, clean-hooking Irish trio jork the ball through the scrum and Jackie Kyle's fit-plus three-quarter line get going, I wouldn't give England's back line a snowball's chance in the tropics of stopping them.

To win, England must have the ball back fast and often. Fast because Ireland's backs are renowned for hope-dashing rushes on a back line that hasn't quite reached full stride... fast because their steel-light scrum has shown it can ground a dithering, slow-healing pack mercilessly into the mud.

Give the Irish boys just a split-second of indecision and watch their backs tear through.

One alteration in the England team which would have seemed

Jim Bailey Named Oregon's Best Athlete Of 1936

Portland, Oregon, Feb. 6. Jim Bailey, University of Oregon distance runner and Australian entry in the Olympic Games last autumn, was named last night as Oregon's outstanding athlete of 1936.

Final selection of Bailey came from a field of 12 athletes who had been chosen earlier for their outstanding records during the year. The award was presented at the ninth annual Bill Hayward Banquet of Champions, sponsored by the Oregon Sports Writers and Broadcasters Association.

Bailey became the first runner to crack the four-minute mile barrier in the United States when he bested the world record-holder, John Landy, in the Los Angeles Coliseum last year. Bailey's time for the race was 3:58.4.—United Press.

JOE LOUIS TELLS WHAT HE

COULDN'T SAY BEFORE

THE BIG LIE ABOUT TOMMY FARR

By HAROLD MAYES

"He was nice—it's a shame he's getting old." The soft southern drawl of the young Negro waitress in the dimly-lit restaurant on Chicago's South Side brought me out of my day-dreams as I looked at the life-size photograph of Joe Louis on the wall just above me.

Time was when the athletic young figure portrayed there couldn't have set foot in the place without the whole of the local populace peering through the windows just to get a glimpse of him.

With his two gloved fists and a dignified approach to life, the young man had done more for the coloured race than any other individual, living or dead. And as we talked, a tall, broad figure filled the swing doors.

Twenty years had passed since the photograph was taken, twenty years of memory, of joy, of heartaches. Twenty years in which a man, even one who had been a household word in every land, still had many secrets.

The man who was "old" didn't even glance up at the picture of the man who was once so young and athletic. A typical American greeting: "How you bin," and we were on our way. Joe Louis and I were together again—alone.

Twenty-five times Joe put the crown "on the line" against all comers. Unlike some of his predecessors—and, indeed, some of his successors—he never belittled an opponent. He thought deeply in those days before he answered a question, because he never wished to say anything which he felt might reflect in any way against his own people.

Now, in the solitude of his apartment on a boulevard beside Washington Park, where in other days he had piled up many miles of roadwork, he was free to talk. And he was talking—freely.

Who worried him most of all his adversaries? Who hit him the hardest? Did he regret making the comeback which ended so disastrously when he became a virtual sacrifice to a bull-dozing fighter the world knew as Rocky Marciano?

Why had he even submitted to the indignity of being con-

cerned in professional wrestling? Why did his marriage to the beautiful Marva Trotter break up? How did he come to owe the United States Government more in income tax than he could ever pay in two lifetimes? Did he regret it, or would he do it all over again?

Those were the questions I wanted answered. I got my answers—and more.

BROKEN RIBS

In the room where we talked there wasn't a single memento of the fighting days of one of the greatest champions of all time. A tall, gold figure of a golfer, a trophy indicative of his pastime rather than his business and a recently-delivered set of golf clubs, which he felt out with almost loving care, were the only reminders that the massive man in the grey flannel slacks and the blue woollen, short-sleeved shirt from which the biceps bulged had any connection with sport at all.

"Can't play golf at the moment," said Joe. "That's tough, because I like it. But I shall be playing again soon. Got to wait until February, when I get another check-up from the doctors on my heart."

"Just goes to prove that wrestling is tougher than boxing. I trained three or four hours a day to learn to take falls—and what happened? There I am wrestling in Ohio, and a guy jumps on me. I wind up with three broken ribs and a damaged heart."

"I'll still do it, though, when I'm fit again, because how else can you pick up four or five thousand dollars in a piece?"

"I'm supposed to be broke, you see. Well, I suppose I am, really, when I owe so much to Uncle Sam, but he and I get along pretty good together, and he don't bother me too much."

"Right now I owe the US Government something around 1,300,000 dollars. But I've got an apartment in Chicago, another in New York, and a house in Long Island."

"As a director of the International Boxing Club (the promoting body controlled by Jim Norris), I got 20,000 dollars a year and all expenses."

SPLIT THE PRIZE

"And this year I'm hoping they're going to give me a 5,000-dollar raise. The Government don't touch any of that, or anything from the milk business, of which I am a director in Chicago."

"Not so long ago my wife and I won 41,000 dollars on a television quiz."

Six Centuries Scored In WI Cricket Trial

Port of Spain, Trinidad, Feb. 6. Six centuries have been scored after two completed innings here in the West Indies final cricket trial for this year's tour of England.

Solly Smith, was the sixth century maker with 102 in 122 minutes for Clyde Walcott's team against an Everton Week XI on the third day's play yesterday. The match ends tomorrow.

Scores: Weeks XI 607 (Nyrro Asgarali and Hammond-Furlong both 100; Bruce Palfreman 120) and 65 for one; Walcotts XI 412 (Rohan Kanhai 117, Clyde Walcott 132, Collie Smith 102).—China Mail Special.

NEXT INSTALLMENT: The fighters who hit me the hardest.

GRAINGER WILL PROBABLY GO FOR SOMETHING JUST UNDER £10,000

By JAMES CONNOLLY

Story behind Rotherham United's shock decision to sell England "B" right-winger Jack Grainger is a small club's struggle to keep faith with loyal long-service players.

Rotherham are losing money and Millmoor gates have dipped to a mere 10,000.

But Rotherham pride themselves on always paying top benefits. As gates do not provide the necessary cash it must come from selling players.

"Five players are due for benefits this year, and that means close on £4,000," manager Andy Smalles told me.

Four years ago Rotherham turned down a £30,000 Newcastle bid for Grainger. Earlier this season they refused a big Liverpool offer.

Now he will probably go for something just under £10,000. Other players offered for sale at the same time as Grainger were Frank Marshall and Ken Keyworth.

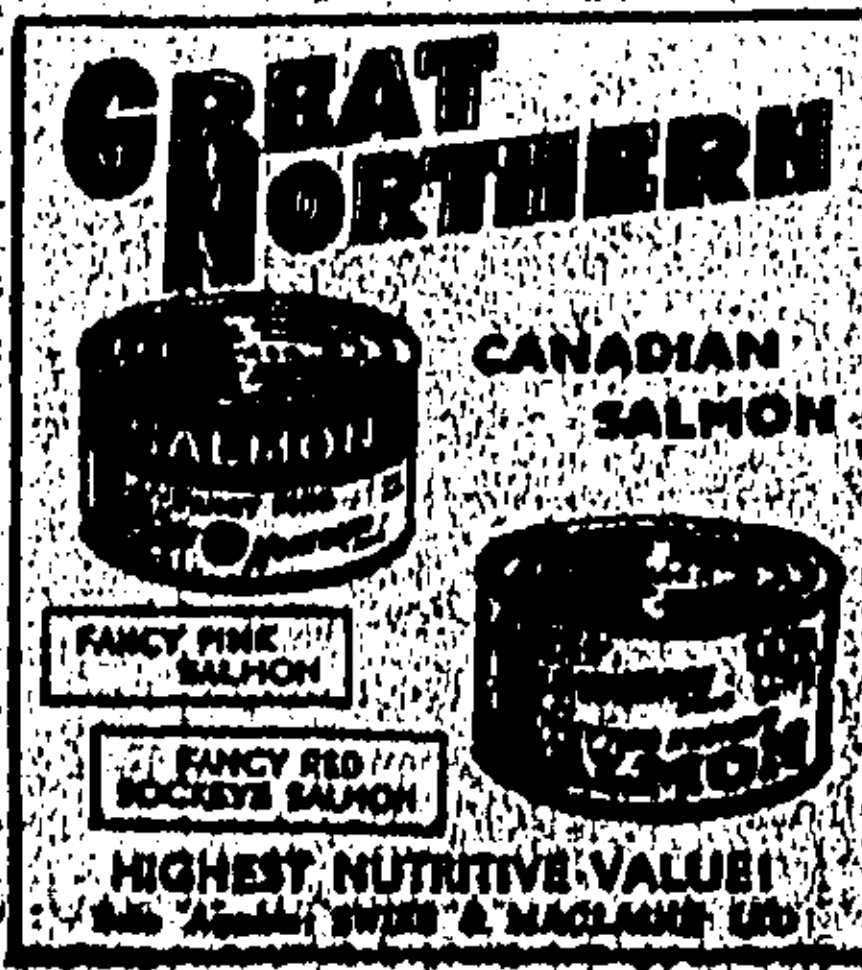
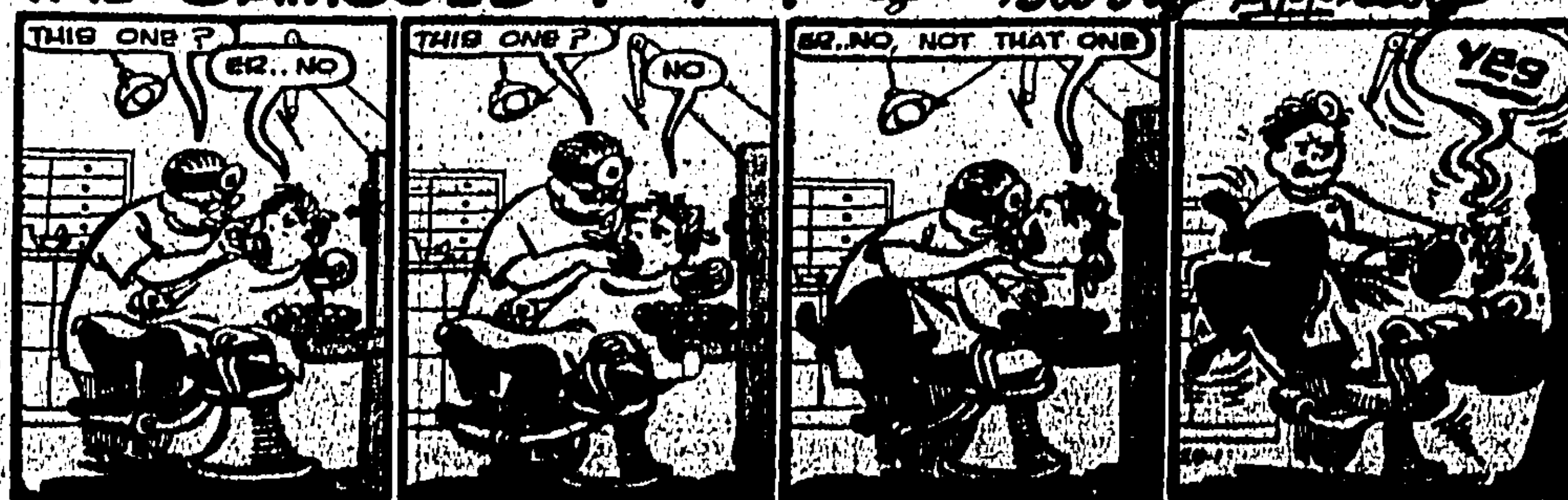
TRANSFER SPLASH

The Grainger boys might well make a £30,000 transfer splash next month.

Sheffield United are ready to sell their England left-winger Colin Grainger—he is Jack's brother—at £20,000-plus.

Sunderland wanted him. Sheffield manager Joe Mercer went to Roker Park to see what they had to offer in part exchange. When he returned, the exchange deal was off.

THE GAMBOLS



CLIFF BRITTON IS A HARD TASKMASTER— BUT A FAIR ONE

By STANLEY MATTHEWS

There are managers who triumph over all their troubles. Cliff Britton, at Preston, is one. Cliff is a man of ideas. That is why he was one of Britain's greatest wing halves... that is why he is one of the game's outstanding managers today and the man behind Preston's gallop into the Championship race.

When he took over last August Preston were at the foot of the table. Now they are fifth from the top.

And listen to my old friend and international colleague, Tom Finney:—
"Cliff has transformed us into a team. Before he came all we had was a team of hard workers, a team without organisation and no set plan. We lacked leadership."

"Cliff has changed all that. He is a hard taskmaster but a fair one. The players respect him, for he knows what he is talking about, and there is method behind everything he says or does."

International Suspended By Football League

T. Ford, the former Cardiff City and Welsh international centre-forward, has been suspended sine die by the Football League. In addition, the Football Association and the F.A. of Wales have been asked by the League to examine his case to determine whether Ford has committed breaches of their rules or regulations.

Ford attended a meeting of the Football League Management Committee last December after which it was stated that he was "asked to substantiate the allegations of irregularities made in recent newspaper articles." He refused to do so but asked for a few days to think the matter over. Mr. A. Hardaker, secretary of the Football League, said afterwards that Ford had offered to support his statements but only on conditions that were "quite impossible" to the League.

GOLF AH-OY!... AND HERE'S ONE YOUNG MAN WHO KNOWS WHERE HE'S GOING THIS SEASON..... JOHN BEHARRELL



John Beharrell... golfer of the year

No Rock 'n' Roll In Babe's Golf

By RONALD HEAGER

Kingpin of the rock 'n' roll kids at the Sutton Coldfield Dance Club is a husky 18-year-old with a wide-open-spaces complexion and a head of fair hair. This particular animated young man also happens to be Britain's Golfer of the Year... John Beharrell.

Babe Beharrell, record-making, youngest-ever, Amateur Golf Champion, is an "r'n'r" addict. He says: "Dancing is my other recreation. I rock 'n' roll."

John, I am happy to report, is not letting the rock 'n' roll get into his golf swing. Ten days ago he began to take the winter wraps off his game with regular morning practice, supervised twice a week by professional Jack Cawsey.

Earlier in the winter he began a fitness routine of 30 minutes' road work three evenings a week.

'YOU MUST BE FIT'

Said know-where-I'm-going John: "Did it last year. To play

any sport you must be fit. It stood me in good stead in the championship."

This boy Beharrell is so sensible. He is British Champion... at 18. He is nationally-acclaimed golf hero of 1956.

Yet already he is prepared to write off 1956 and begin again. He enters the fresh golfing year with this starling sane philosophy:—

"The thing is to forget the past and think about the future. Count me as just another aspiring young golfer who plans to do well this season."

"Of course I want to make the Walker Cup team (the match is in America in August). But above all I want to win my place on merit this season."

We met in Birmingham's solid "City" quarter of smog-stained office blocks. Soberly prosperous. Impressively brass-plated. Beharrell works there. His brass plate reads: Schofield, Goodman and Sons. "We are export agents," said John.

He began last November, is going through all departments. His father is joint managing director.

With a new-boy grin he told me: "We handle anything from motor cycles to millinery. Bicycle bells to false teeth." And with due family pride: "The firm dates back to 1782."

HIIS PLANS

I went to see John to talk about the plans, the preparation, Britain's golfing prodigy, the new Bobby Jones. That had to wait.

Last year—his year of glory—John played all the golf he wanted as a fresh-air cure for a serious illness.

Now he says: "I have to earn a living—or learn to. The office takes priority. Golf will have to fit in with work."

Beharrell's job is unlikely to affect his form adversely. He is going to work at the game with characteristic thoroughness.

He comments: "After a long winter rest I feel more determined than ever. And what is more, fitter and stronger than this time last year."

John, a life member of Little Aston and other clubs, a country member of Royal Liverpool, has been elected a member of the Royal and Ancient. That I care for.

What will the R and A say about this "r'n'r" recruit? (Copyright)

Sports Diary
TODAY
Meeting at Sports Road, 2.45 p.m.
H.K.A. Inter-Club Sub-Committee Meeting at Education Dept., 6.30 p.m.
Squash
Colony Squash Championships at Victoria Barracks Courts.
Rugby
Brig Walcott's XV v HANZS
Kaniere at Bala, 4 p.m.
Madison
Men's "C" Division: Kip Tong v L. H. A. v Young & Old, Talkeo v C.C.C.

TOMORROW
Squash
Colony Squash Championships at Victoria Barracks Courts, 9.30 p.m.
Golf
Ladies' Fouromes First Round at Yehling.

The Wonder Of DORMAN SPIRIT CATCHES ON

By ALAN WILLIAMS

Walsall was the club that almost died of shame.... Soccer's re-election champions... whipping-boys of Division III (South). But now it's a different story at Fellows Park. Walsall have swept from 23rd to 8th in the table in two months. And all because one day last November their directors finally faced the facts.

Walsall, more or less as usual, were last but one in the table, knocked out of the FA Cup. Chairman Neville Longmore and his board knew they could not count on the League clubs doing the fifth "cold pail" act in six seasons at voting time next June.

So one November morning the directors called the players together and bluntly told them: "This is our last chance of survival as a League club. You must give 100 per cent from now on. We can hardly apply for re-election again."

With this grim meeting behind them, the team went to Exeter on November 25 in fighting mood. They had not won there for nine years, but this time scraped through 1-0.

TRANSFORMED

Key move that transformed Walsall on the field was the switching of Don Dorman from right-half to inside-right.

Dorman preferred wing-half, but in the new Walsall spirit he said: "If it is in the club's interest, it's OK by me."

Next week they held leaders Southampton to a draw, then took a point from Coventry with only nine fit men.

The 7-1 thrashing of Millwall followed and the Fellows Park crowd still thought it was a flash in the pan. Only 7,000 saw the seven-goal spree.

But the goals still come and supporters who had given Walsall up years ago began to swarm back.

The other Saturday the 6-3 defeat of Norwich was watched by a crowd of over 10,000.

It was Walsall's 11th successive League game without defeat—a club record.

Ask manager Jack Love the reason for Walsall's transformation and he says: "The skill and promise have been there for quite a time, but the big falling was lack of confidence. The 7-1 beating of Millwall did the trick."

FIGHTER

"In the old days a goal against generally meant the end," says Love. "Now we have the power to come again."

Quite a lot of young players have developed this season, but the bulk of credit for the revival goes to Dorman.

Always a fighter since his Arnhem days, he has instilled in the side the sort of spirit that has been the lifeblood of Cup winners like Newcastle and Birmingham.

"When we started our run, I told the lads we must treat

every game like a Cup Final," says Dorman.

And Walsall... they whisper about promotion now... had to find that Cup courage or quit. (Copyright)

LOOKING AT SPORT

Centre-Half? That's Easy Says Dickinson

By DENNIS HART

"Elderly soccer gentleman seeks post. Would make ideal centre-half."

We haven't quite got to that stage yet but the way things are going I wouldn't be surprised if that is the sort of advertisement we shall see in a few years time.

England centre-half Billy Wright reckons that moving into the middle has added quite a few seasons to his career. Now Jimmy Dickinson, the man who has never left England down in his 48 appearances at left-half, has taken over the centre spot to help his club out of trouble.

And Jimmy's verdict? He gave it to me after turning in a grand display against Arsenal. "I found the going much easier than at wing half. I still prefer my old position and reckon I've got a few more seasons there. But then I wouldn't mind retiring to the centre-half position."

Retiring! It's enough to make the old fashioned attacking centre-halves turn in their graves. Before the "third back" game was introduced, the side was built round the man with the number five jersey.

There is now a move in English soccer to make the centre-half more mobile, but the fact remains: it can be an easy number.

A LARGE LAD

This is a danger. For it is often reckoned that a centre-half need only be a large lad who can put boot and head to ball with considerable force. And when that is all that is required the player has no incentive to master his football craft.

The result is that men who have really made their mark as centre-halves have often been converted into wing halves or inside forwards.

This applies to eight of the eleven centre-halves England have fielded since the war. Jimmy Dickinson went on to explain to me that he found

SPORTS ROUND-UP

'Sugar Ray' Robinson Will Get Another Crack At Title

Sugar Ray Robinson, former World Middleweight Champion, will get another crack at the title he lost to Gene Fullmer.

International Boxing Club representative James Norris announced in New York the other week, these two will meet in a return bout at the Chicago Stadium on April 24.

Phil Woosnam, Leyton Orient's Welsh international inside-forward, has turned down his fifteen amateur cap to turn professional for his club. Woosnam, a schoolmaster, made 29 appearances in Orient's Championship side last season. He was to have played for Wales amateurs against England on February 16.

Ben Hogan, will be invited to compete for the Dunlop 'Masters' golf title in England on September 19-21. Hogan won the 'Open' in 1953. All 'Open' Champions between 1948 and 1957 will be asked to compete for the 'Masters' title and top prize of £1,000.

RETIRING?

Sven Davidson, Swedish number one lawn tennis player, will probably give up top competitive tennis after Wimbledon. Announcing this in Stockholm, Davidson said he would not turn professional.

Trevor Bailey, England's opening batsman and fast-

medium bowler, may not be fit for the Fourth Test in the current series with South Africa at Johannesburg on February 15. His broken hand is badly swollen, discoloured and sore. Said Bailey's doctor: "At this stage I would not give Trevor much chance of playing."

Dave Charlney, the 21-year-old British lightweight, has been nominated to meet the holder, Joe Lucy, for the British Lightweight title, the contest to take place before May 4. Charlney recently beat Welsh Champion Willie Lloyd in a final eliminator.

(London Express Service). (Copyright)

ENGLAND WINS

England "B" beat Scotland "B" 4-1 in a soccer international under floodlights here tonight after leading 3-0 at half-time.—Reuters.

St. John Ambulance Orders

Orders by Mr. Fung Ping-fan, C.S.J., Commissioner of St. John Ambulance Brigade, Hong Kong District, No. 0/57, dated February 7, 1957.

Ambulance Duties—Hongkong—10.2.57-10.2.57, Wanchai "B" Amb. Div.; 17.2.57-22.2.57, Shamshuipo Amb. Div.; February, 1957: Shamshuipo Neg. Div.

Ambulance Duties—Kowloon—11.2.57-17.2.57, Kowloon Amb. Div.; 18.2.57-24.2.57, Tsimshatsui Amb. Div.; February, 1957: Shamshuipo Neg. Div.

Penetration Squad Duties—10.2.57, Dr. S. Y. Kong, Dental Kwan Chi-ling, S.S. Neg. Div.; 17.2.57, Dr. Lee Ching-wa, Dental Li Min-yu, C.S.O. Tan, Sui-chun and Chung Sing B.S. Neg. Div.

Orderly Duties At Mainland Area Hqs.—7.2.57, KYMCA Amb. Div.; 8.2.57, Tsimshatsui Amb. Div.; 9.2.57, Kowloon Amb. Div.; 10.2.57, Kowloon Amb. Div.; 11.2.57, KYMCA Neg. Div.; 12.2.57, Mongkok Amb. Div.; 13.2.57, KYMCA Amb. Div.

Football Duties—9.2.57, 2.30 p.m., SCAA Ground: SCAA Amb. Div.; 9.2.57, 2.30 p.m., Club Ground: Kennedy Town Amb. Div.; 10.2.57, 2.30 p.m., Club Ground: HKYMCA Amb. Div.

Queen's College Annual Sports Duty—10.2.57, Noon-4 p.m., SCAA Ground: Central Amb. Div.; 11.2.57, Noon-4 p.m., SCAA Ground: Central Amb. Div.; 12.2.57, Noon-4 p.m., SCAA Ground: Central Amb. Div.

Race Duties—9.2.57, At Race Course: Wanchai "A" Amb. Div.; At Headquarters: Central Amb. Div.; 10.2.57, At Race Course: Central Amb. Div.; At Headquarters: Wanchai "A" Amb. Div.

Street Sleepers Shelter Society Duties—February, 1957: Shamshuipo Neg. Div.; Western Dist: Chung Sing B.S. Neg. Div.

H.K. Society For The Protection Of Children—Kowloon—February, 1957: KYMCA Neg. Div.

Decrease Of Strength—(a) Leave—Kong Wah Amb. Div.; Pte. Yau Chi-bak leave for 3 months. (b) Resignation—District Hqs. D.S.O. v. Wellington Hse resigned w.e.f. 30.1.57.

(Sgd.) F. L. Tseung, C.S.J. (A.) Deputy Commissioner, District Headquarters.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

EIGHTH RACE MEETING

Saturday 9th and Saturday 16th February, 1957

(To be held under the Rules of the Hong Kong Jockey Club)

THE PROGRAMME WILL CONSIST OF 16 RACES.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race run at 2.00 p.m. on both days.

The Secretary's Office at Alexandra House will close at 11.45 a.m. on both days.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

NO PERSON WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED. All persons MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the meeting.

Admission Badges at \$10.00 each per day are obtainable from the Club's Cash Sweep Office, at Queen's Building, Chater Road only on the written introduction of a Member, who will be responsible for all visitors introduced by him.

Times will be obtainable at the Club House if ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 72811).

The 6th Floor is restricted to Members and Ladies wearing Lady's Brooches.

NO CHILDREN will be admitted to the Club's premises during the Meeting. For this purpose a Child is a person under the age of seventeen years, Western Standard.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission will be \$3.00 each per day payable at the Gate.

Any person leaving the Enclosure will be required to pay the requisite fee of \$3.00 in order to gain re-admission. MEALS and REFRESHMENTS will be obtainable in the RESTAURANT.

SERVANTS

Servants must remain in their employers' boxes except for passing through on their duties. They may on no account use the Betting Booths or Pay Out Booths in the Enclosures.

CASH SWEEPS

Through Cash Sweep Tickets at \$10.00 each per day and \$32.00 for both days may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Offices at Queen's Building, (Chater Road), and 5, D'Aguiar Street during normal office hours and until 11.00 a.m. on the day of the Race Meeting.

Particular numbers within the series 1 to 3,000 may be reserved for all race meetings as Through Tickets. Such tickets will be issued consecutively only and the right is reserved by the Club to cancel any reservation for Through Tickets for a particular Meeting if it is found that sales may not reach the number reserved in the series 1 to 3,000.

In the case of two-day Race Meetings, Through Tickets may be purchased for each day of the Meeting provided that the second day is on a date not less than five days after the first day. In all other cases Through Tickets will only be sold for the whole Meeting.

Tickets reserved and available but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 8th February, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future Meetings.

Tickets over 3,000 will also be issued consecutively but particular numbers cannot be reserved as Through Tickets. The reservation of any particular number does not confer on the registered holder any rights whatsoever unless the ticket bearing the appropriate number is issued to and can be produced by the holder.

The Stewards reserve the right to refuse any subscription also the right to remove any name from Subscription Lists without stating reasons for their action.

Cash Sweep Tickets on the last race of the Meeting at \$2.00 each may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Office at Queen's Building (Chater Road), 5, D'Aguiar Street and 282, Nathan Road during normal office hours and until 11.00 a.m. on the day of the Race Meeting.

TOTALISATOR

Backers are advised not to destroy or throw away their tickets until after the "all clear" signal has been exhibited.

ALL WINNING TICKETS AND TICKETS FOR REFUNDS MUST BE PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT AT THE RACE COURSE ON THE DAY TO WHICH THEY REFER, NOT LATER THAN ONE HOUR AFTER THE TIME FOR WHICH THE LAST RACE OF THE DAY HAS BEEN SCHEDULED TO BE RUN.

PAYMENT WILL NOT BE MADE ON TORN OR DISFIGURED TICKETS.

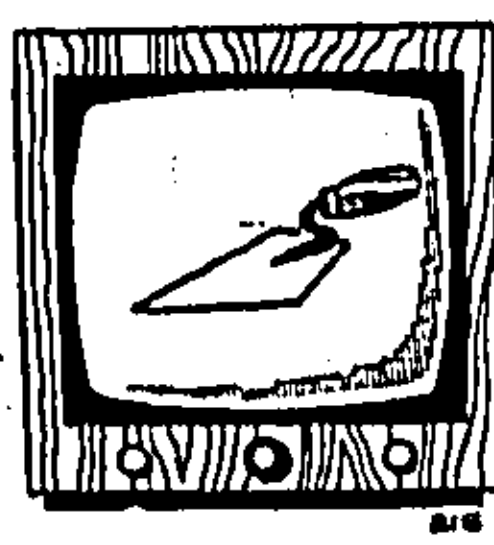
Bookmakers, Tie Tac men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club.

By Order of the Stewards,
A. E. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

NEW ROLE FOR POLE VAULTER



British pole vaulter Geoff Elliott, in a new role as a rugby player is set for a tumble as he is well tackled when attempting to find touch in the match between United Hospitals and Oxford University at Richmond Athletic ground, Surrey on January 30. Geoff was one of three London University players in the United Hospitals team.—Reuterphoto.



NAMESAKES

INSTRUCTIONS: Fill in the spaces against each of the clues below with a word related to my life. The letters in circles spell out my name. Who am I?

1 Famous emperor
2 Some talk of him
3 Pictures
4 Human sound?
5 Order
6 Continent
7 Performing
8 Roman rebel
9 A certain bill
10 Ability

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JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

THE BREAKING POINT

CALM, detached, distant in time and place, the dictionary-makers had a word for what had happened to Fred. "Breaking-point," they wrote. "The limit at which endurance gives way." Fred had reached breaking-point. Endurance was gone from him.

He was a sick man, a lonely man, a hungry, tired, cold, frightened man, and the busy world of the West buzzed all around him with total unconcern, and that was too much for him.

Diligent as someone after treasure, Fred searched the alleys round Pleadilly Circus for a weapon. He found one. An empty milk bottle.

DESPERATE

HE hugged the bottle to him, under his thin coat, secretly as if it had been a gun. Then he sought a target. He saw film stars grinning at him from photographs in glass-fronted frames outside a cinema. That was target enough. Fred hurled his bottle with feeble force at the grinning faces. The protective glass shattered. A policeman hurried forward. "Thank God you've come," Fred said. "I've not eaten for two days. I was desperate."

Before he could finish he collapsed. "Due to emotion," they said at the hospital. "His heart's very weak." When Fred was conscious the doctor said: "You must come back here. Your heart."

TRANSFORMATION

AT Bow Street, Fred pleaded guilty to wilful damage worth £10. He is a lean, grey, bald man, only 57; no previous convictions, but he had been sacked from a humble general handyman job two days before and could see no future for himself.

"People do find themselves thinking the world is against them, but you can't do this sort of thing," said Mr. Bertram Reece, the magistrate. Fred nodded modified agreement. He was recommended for a medical report, and he went away from the court in a shuffling, limping way. But a strange thing had happened to him. His face was transformed by a smile. Like

his meal in the cell that morning, the smile was his first for some time, I think.

Search For Attacker Goes On

Brookhaven, Miss., Feb. 6. A reward fund for the capture of a platoon attacker called "The Mumbler" swelled to \$1,200.

The 8,000 residents of this Southern Mississippi town remained tense and vigilant in anticipation of another strike by the man, suspected of attacking three white women in the past three days.

White women kept their doors bolted last night and loaded weapons were close at hand in most homes.

In the series of attacks, one woman was stabbed another was seized in her car but the man fled when she sounded the horn, and the third woman, confronting him in her kitchen, drove him away with her screams.

SAME PERSON?

Two other white women were attacked several weeks ago and officers theorized that the same person was responsible for all five attacks.

City and County officials authorized a \$500 reward for information leading to the capture of "The Mumbler" so called because each of his victims said he only mumbled when he surprised them. Another \$700 was pledged by private citizens.

State Highway Patrol investigators aided the widespread manhunt. Scores of negro suspects were questioned and released.

Sheriff C. E. Smith said "things are pretty well under control," although bands of armed white men roamed the city on Monday night after the latest attack.

"Men have armed themselves for protection and housewives are keeping their doors locked," said Sheriff Smith. — United Press.

Evidence By Expert In Chinese Law

Mr. Loo Hing-yun, Barrister-at-law, and expert in Chinese law, gave evidence this morning on the status of a "tin fong" wife.

Mr. Loo said that a "tin fong" wife was the successor to the first or "kit fat" wife and that a man could not "marry" a "tin fong" wife during the lifetime of his "kit fat" wife.

Witness was giving evidence in an action involving a family dispute before the Puisse Judge, Mr. Justice J. R. Gregg in the Supreme Court.

Plaintiff, Mr. Wong Ying-kuen, ticket collector of 8 Bedford Road, is the grandson of the late Mr. Wong Choi-ho and son of the late Mr. Wong Yuk-shu. He is represented by Mr. John McNeill, QC, and Mr. Victor Clift, instructed by Messrs. Deacons.

Defendants are Mrs. Wong Yu-shi, Mrs. Wong Yan-shi (tin fong wife of Mr. Wong Yuk-shu) and four children, Wong Cheuk-leng, Wong Shu-kuen, Wong Shuk-ping and Wong Puk-huen.

Mr. V. J. L. D'Alton, instructed by Mr. G. S. Ford, of Ford, Kwan & Co., appears for first defendant. Mr. Terence Shurlock, instructed by M. K. Lam & Co., is representing second, fourth, fifth and sixth defendants.

Plaintiff is suing for accounts and enquiries in respect of the estates of the deceased, for the Court's direction as to the share of benefits to be received from them by members of the family and for the appointment of the judicial trustee as administrator of both estates.

SAME RIGHTS

Mr. Loo, who was a former Judge in China for many years, agreed that the "Tin Ching" law also called the Penal Law of China was a revision of the Ming Dynasty Law which covered a period of about 268 years from the first Emperor to the tenth.

After giving his opinion regarding the status of a "tin fong" wife, Mr. Loo went on to say that a concubine could be promoted or recognised by the husband as a "tin fong" after the death of the "kit fat" wife.

Witness further stated that a "tin fong" wife had the same rights as the "kit fat" wife and held the same position. Hearing is continuing.

Mail Notices

The latest times of posting show below are those for unregistered correspondence posted at G.P.O. Hongkong. The latest posting times elsewhere which, in general, are earlier than the G.P.O. times can be ascertained by enquiry at the post office.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7
By Air: Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.; Korea, 6 p.m.; Thailand, Ceylon, Burma, India, 6 p.m.; U.S.A., 6 p.m.
By Surface: Sarawak, 4 p.m.; Indo-China, Thailand, 5 p.m.; Macao, 6 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8
By Air: Germany, 9 a.m.; Cambodia, Malaya, Indonesia, 9 a.m.; Formosa, Japan, Korea, Okinawa, 11 a.m.; China, France, Noon; Philippines, Australia, New Zealand, 1 p.m.; U.S.A., 1 p.m.; Thailand, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.; Japan, 8 p.m.; Formosa, U.S.A., 6 p.m.

US Opposed To Interference

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He said that 50 per cent of the hospital patients in Algeria were local people.

Soustelle said that endemic diseases had been sharply reduced and the death rate cut. From a population of 1,500,000 when France had entered the country, Algeria has grown in a century to 8,500,000 indigenous people in 1957.

He said this was due to the solicitude of France, while the rebellion there had brought only destruction, misery and death. Replying to assertions made by the Syrian delegate, Soustelle said the Europeans in Algeria were mostly of modest means, with incomes 20 per cent less than in France.

He said that it was at great cost with stubborn work and a sometimes frightful mortality rate that the colonists of the last century had made living lands out of dead lands. — France-Press.

Sir Alexander At Taikoo



UK SPENDING TOPS ESTIMATES BY £107 MILLION

London, Feb. 6.

The British government today disclosed that it has spent £107 million sterling more than it anticipated in its budget last April.

Major contribution to the sum was the figure of £94,500,000 for supplementary civil estimates. This follows closely on a £39 million bill presented by the Army, mostly for the Suez operations.

Coldest Night This Winter

Hongkong had its coldest night of the winter last night and the temperature dropped to a low of 42.3 degrees just after dawn this morning.

But it was colder at Sek Kong. There the grass minimum (the minimum temperature recorded by a thermometer resting on the ground) was 31.8 degrees.

And the air temperature was 38.8 degrees.

Warm sunshine brought the temperature up during the morning and early this afternoon it was 54 degrees.

MACAO'S 36.6 DEG

Macao, according to a France-Press cable, also had a cold night and a minimum temperature of 36.6 was recorded. The grass temperature was 33.1 degrees.

Farmers reported frost, the cable added.

A Weather Bureau spokesman in Hongkong said no frost was reported here "perhaps because there was a little too much wind."

He said it would be cold again this evening.

Petty Thieves

Six cases of larceny from the person were reported to the Police yesterday, four of pocket-picking and two of snatching from women. In three cases the victims had their wallets stolen.

The Police have made arrests in connection with three of the cases.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Ask your mother about those problems, son—my class must have had them while I was home with the mumps!"

Governor Tours Dockyard

The Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, made a 60-minute tour of the Taikoo Dockyard this morning and inspected ships under construction and repair and also the different workshops.

His Excellency was met at the main entrance to the dockyard by Mr. F. Pattinson, dockyard manager, Mr. J. A. Blackwood, manager of Butterfield and Swire, Limited, Mr. D. C. C. Trench, of the Colonial Secretariat and Mr. E. C. Brown, Labour Officer (Industrial Undertakings).

They conducted the Governor to the drydocks, slipways, electrical workshop, stores section and through the administration offices.

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. 5.30. Time for Children presented by Elizabeth; 6. Time Signal, Programme Summary; 6.30. Portuguese Hour; 6.50. V.O.A.; 7. P.M. 6.50. Weather Report; 7. Time Signal; 7.10. Commentary or Top News Item; 7.15. Bar Chart; 7.20. News; 7.25. News; 7.30. News; 7.35. News; 7.40. "Quiet Listening" — Hector Shaw; 7.45. News; 7.50. News; 7.55. News; 8.00. News; 8.05. News; 8.10. News; 8.15. News; 8.20. News; 8.25. News; 8.30. News; 8.35. News; 8.40. News; 8.45. News; 8.50. News; 8.55. News; 9.00. News; 9.05. News; 9.10. News; 9.15. News; 9.20. News; 9.25. News; 9.30. News; 9.35. News; 9.40. News; 9.45. News; 9.50. News; 9.55. News; 10.00. News; 10.05. News; 10.10. News; 10.15. News; 10.20. News; 10.25. News; 10.30. News; 10.35. News; 10.40. News; 10.45. News; 10.50. News; 10.55. News; 11.00. News; 11.05. News; 11.10. News; 11.15. News; 11.20. News; 11.25. News; 11.30. News; 11.35. News; 11.40. News; 11.45. News; 11.50. News; 11.55. News; 12.00. News; 12.05. News; 12.10. News; 12.15. 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